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POLAND SEES GREAT CRISIS COMING: WILL FIGHT TO LAST BREATH FOR INDEPENDENCE

No Intention To Depart From Non-Aggression Pact

WARSAW, MAR. 29 (REUTER)—"ALL POLAND SEES A GREAT CRISIS COMING," DECLARED M. SKWARCZYNSKI IN A SPEECH AT A MEETING OF THE GOVERNMENT PARTY WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY MARSHAL E. SMIGLY-RYDZ, INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF THE ARMY.

Marshal Smigly-Rydz added: "We must work for peace and strive for good relations with our neighbours and must not allow ourselves to be influenced by any pressure nor must we become involved in any aggressive designs against our neighbours."

"FOR OUR FRONTIERS, OUR HONOUR, OUR INDEPENDENCE, WE WILL FIGHT FOR VICTORY TO OUR LAST BREATH."

The German Ambassador, Herr von Moltke, saw Col. J. Beck yesterday evening. It is stated that the conversation introduced no fresh element into the situation and it is thought that Col. Beck very likely assured Herr von Moltke that the Polish Government have no intention of departing from the principles of the Polish-German Non-Aggression Pact of 1934 by joining any aggressive coalition against Germany.

PARTIAL MOBILIZATION

PARIS, MAR. 29 (T/Ocean)—Extraordinary Polish military precautions, amounting to a partial mobilization, are reported by the paper "Ce Soir" in a report from Warsaw on Tuesday evening.

The paper declares that in course of the last four days, 750,000 reservists were called to the colours, in addition to the 300,000 men called up last week. Thus Poland is taking steps which will bring the industry on a wartime footing.

FURTHER INCIDENTS

WARSAW, MAR. 29 (T/Ocean)—The series of anti-German incidents which have been going on in the town of Bromberg for the past two days, have caused much excitement among the German population here. Numerous German shopfronts have been defaced with tar, the words "ENEMY LIVES HERE," being written over them.

Significant is the announcement of a Polish merchant, Vladislav Achtel, in Budgor-ski, on Tuesday, in which he announced the fact that he is not a German, but a patriotic Pole. Demonstrators had

mistaken him for a German and disfigured his window with tar. The police have arrested two Polish students of Bromberg on Tuesday in connection with the incidents.

RETURN OF POLISH EXILES

In political circles a great deal of excitement was caused by the sudden return from many years of exile in Czechoslovakia of the former leaders of the Left Opposition, Mr. Kiernik and M. Baginski, as well as the leader of the Radical Agrarian Party.

It was learnt that they offered, from their exile, to return to Poland and serve the several years of imprisonment to which they were sentenced in absentia. It is believed that their sentences will be revoked, and thereby their return becomes all the more significant.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE

Considerable importance is attached to the long conference which took place yesterday between the Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Beck and the German Ambassador, Herr von Moltke.

The importance is enhanced in view of the recent anti-German demonstrations in Poland and the subsequent criticism voiced against Poland in the German press, which complained that the Treaty of Friendship of 1934 was not working satisfactorily.

No official statement has been issued here, however, and strictest silence is maintained by all concerned on the outcome.

German Press Campaign Against Poland Now Finds Official Support

BERLIN, MAR. 29 (Reuter)—German agitation is continuing against alleged Polish attacks on Germans in Poland and the newspaper campaign against Poland is finding official support.

The "National Zeitung" declares that any recurrence of incidents would disturb the peace of Europe and be harmful to Poland. The paper warns Poland not to deviate from the non-aggression pact signed with Germany.

ANTI-BRITISH POSTER IN BERLIN

BERLIN, MAR. 29 (Reuter)—An anti-British poster has appeared in Berlin factories and workshops declaring, "Workers must resist any further insult to the Fuehrer by British Ministers. We have had enough and any attempt by Britain at intervention will be met with strong German resistance."

PARIS, MAR. 29 (T/Ocean)—"Germany warns Poland" is the headline of an article in the "Matin" to-day publishing in full the comment of the "Deutsche Diplomatisch Politische Korrespondenz" on the anti-German demonstrations in Poland.

The Berlin correspondent of the "Jour Echo de Paris" states that since yesterday there exists a "Polish problem" in Berlin which interests, not only the official German quarters, but also the man in the street.

HEROIC DEFENCE OF MADRID

IMMENSE TASK FOR FRANCO

LONDON, MAR. 29 (Reuter)—Tribute to the heroic defence of Madrid is paid in all newspapers irrespective of party.

While the "News-Chronicle" blames the British and French Governments' refusal to intervene on the side of the Spanish Government for the fall of the city, the Conservative papers look to the future, rather than the past, and anticipate the disappearance of one threat to Europe's peace, and dwell on the immensity of Gen. Franco's task of reconstruction and reconciliation.

SUPPLEMENT TO - DAY

Together with this issue we publish a Supplement containing a summary of the discussion, between Mr. S. T. Rowe, representing the United Kingdom, and the Imperial Preference Sub-Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce concerning the voluntary limitation of imports of rubber footwear into the United Kingdom from Empire sources.

MR. HUDSON IN HELSINKI

HELSINKI, MAR. 29 (Reuter)—Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary to the Department for Overseas Trade, arrived in Helsinki to-day for conversations with Finnish trade officials after which he will leave for Stockholm.

Reported Entry Of Japanese In Kongmoon

MACAO, MAR. 29 (Reuter)—Unconfirmed reports state that Japanese succeeded in entering Kongmoon following a daybreak attack at 2 o'clock this morning.

Employing 23 planes, gunboats, artillery and infantry, the Japanese succeeded in overcoming the Chinese volunteers who fired the city upon retreat.

Refugees are pouring into Macao and Chungshan district is now believed to be dangerous following the appearance of troopships and destroyers off the coast.

Later reports say that fierce fighting in Kongmoon is still proceeding.

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON LONDON: 1s. 2 1/2/32d.
T.T. ON NEW YORK: 2s 13/16
London Silver Market
From Our Own Correspondent
London, Mar. 29.

London silver prices to-day were down 1/16 for Spot and unchanged for Forward as follows:—
Mar. 28 Mar. 29
Spot 19-15/16 18-7/8
Forward 19-5/8 19-3/8



THE CUNARD WHITE STAR LINE R.M.S. FRANCONIA (20,000 tons) which is due to arrive here this morning on a round-the-world cruise with 230 tourists on board. Capt. E. Edkin is the skipper. The liner left New York on January 5 and has called at ports in South America, South Africa, India, Straits Settlements, Malaya, Siam and Indo-China.

R.M.S. FRANCONIA DUE TO-DAY ON ROUND WORLD TRIP

Interesting Passengers Among 230 On Board

Captain E. Edkin, skipper of the Cunard White Star liner Franconia, is due to bring the 20,000-ton round-the-world motorship into Hongkong harbour this morning at 7 o'clock. She will be berthed at pier No. 5 during her 48-hour stay in the Colony.

Leaving the port of New York on January 5, the 230 "Franconia globetrotters" have visited ports in South America, South Africa, India, Straits Settlements, Malaya, Siam, Indo-China and now Hongkong.

During the stay in the Colony, Hongkong's younger residents is excursions and outings to the New Territories, Repulse Bay, Aberdeen, etc., have been arranged by Thos. Cook and Son, Ltd., for the tourists.

Travelling in the seven-deck Franconia, which is luxuriously compact and complete in every detail necessary to an enjoyable existence during five months of voyaging, are many interesting and unusual personalities.

Mrs. Caspar W. Hacker, from Philadelphia, is on her sixth venture round the world. Photography is her hobby and, being quite an expert, she has many films, some in colour, of her travels in the past.

LATE BISHOP'S RELATIVES
Three relatives of the late Bishop Fitzgerald, well known in Penang, and for whom the Wesley Church in the city is a memorial, are travelling in the m.v. Franconia. They are Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Orr and their daughter, Miss Marie H. Orr.

A passenger who will, no doubt, be of great interest to many of

Septuagenarian Woman Found Dead In North Point: Murder Suspected

HANDKERCHIEF ROUND THROAT: ROBBERY BELIEVED MOTIVE

Murder is suspected following the discovery of the body of a septuagenarian Chinese woman in the South-west Transportation Company's wood storage yard at King's Road, North Point, yesterday afternoon.

The body, which has since been identified as that of Fong Kit-yuen, 71, widow, living at No. 405 Queen's Road West, third floor, was found lying between stacks of sleepers about 4.30 p.m. by an unlicensed hawk, named Tam Yiu, who reported the matter immediately to the police.

The dead woman, had a handkerchief tied round her throat and a knotted twine under her chin.

She was reported missing on Monday by her daughter, Law Suk-ting, who stated that her mother left the house at noon that day to buy provisions which, it is thought, she intended to take to relatives at the Tsat Tze Mul refugee camp.

When she left her house she was wearing a pair of jade bangles, a pair of gold earrings and a gold finger ring and was known to have about \$10 in notes and coins, all of which were yesterday found to be missing.

It is thought that the old woman was waylaid, attacked and robbed. No arrests have so far been made, but intensive investigations have been initiated by the C.E.D. under the direction of Detective-Inspector L. R. Whang.

NANKING WANTS RIVERS TO BE CLOSED

Permanent closing of China's principal rivers to navigation by British-owned vessels was requested in a joint telegram received by the "Reformed Government" from anti-British associations of various cities. The telegram urged the Nanking "Government" to organise a steamship company in order to substitute its own ships for British vessels which formerly plied these rivers.

SWEDISH NATIONAL DEFENCE

The Swedish Government has submitted to Parliament the proposal for a reinforcement of the national defence by which the duration of training in the navy is to be increased from 200 to 340 days, and that in the army lengthened by 30 days.

For the acquisition of special war material, supplementary estimates of 58 million crowns are proposed for the purchase, among other things, of 24 bombing and 15 pursuit planes.

The Government also proposes to place 11 million crowns at the disposal of the plane industry. (Transocean).

BANK OF ENGLAND REPRESENTATIVE COMING TO H.K.

LONDON, MAR. 29 (Reuter)—Mr. C. Rogers, of the Bank of England, and the British Government's representative on the Anglo-Chinese Committee to administer the China Currency Stabilisation Fund will leave for Hongkong via Imperial Airways, with his wife, on April 2. His headquarters will be in Hongkong.

Compulsory National Service In Australia

CANBERRA, MARCH 29 (REUTER)—THE AUSTRALIAN CABINET has decided to draw up a compulsory national service register of man-power, thus reversing the previous decision in favour of a voluntary register, announced the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph A. Lyons.

The Premier also announced that the Government had adopted the recommendation of the British Air Mission now in Australia to establish central erection units in Sydney and Melbourne where complete military and general reconnaissance aircraft will be produced.

REVOLUTIONARY MARTYRS REMEMBERED

CHUNGKING, MAR. 29 (Central)—The martyrdom of the 72 revolutionary leaders in 1911 in Canton, which first spelled the downfall of the Manchu dynasty and secured the foundation of the Chinese Republic, was recalled at an impressive memorial meeting here this morning.

More than 600 members of the Central Party Headquarters and the National Government attended the ceremony, over which Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, presided.

Mr. Tsou Lu, veteran Party leader and member of the Central Executive Committee, delivered a moving address to the gathering, dwelling upon the special significance of the occasion during the present war.

A steady stream of people visited the Revolutionary Martyrs Public Cemetery outside the city throughout this morning and afternoon to pay their tribute.

Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, personally visited the Cemetery this morning and led a group of government officials in offering sacrifices.

Dr. H. H. Kung, President of the Executive Yuan, Mr. Ting Wei-ten, member of the C. E. C., and General Liu Shih, Garrison Commander of Chungking, were among those who witnessed the rites.

CHINESE ATTACK SOUTH ANHWEI TOWNS

TAIPEI, ANHWEI, MAR. 29 (Central)—Fierce fighting has been raging in Tungling, Kweichang and Taingyang on the south bank of the Yangtze in south Anhwei above Yangtze as the Chinese forces launched concerted counter-attacks on the triple towns since Mar. 25. Military reports from the front claim "considerable success" for the Chinese.

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King, Queen Will Stay At White House For Two Days

NEW YORK, MARCH 29 (REUTER)—THE SECRETARY OF STATE, Mr. Cordell Hull, and other American officials, will meet the King and Queen at the border when Their Majesties cross over from Canada at Niagara in June.

President Roosevelt will meet the King and Queen at the railway station in Washington, and Their Majesties will stay at White House for two days.

Mr. B. O'M. Deane, of the Mercantile Bank of India, reports that his car, No. 4298, was stolen from the car park in Connaught Road Central, near the Star Ferry, yesterday afternoon.



In the World of Sports



SOFTBALL NOTES

PORTUGAL OR CHINA FOR FALCONER SHIELD?

Both Scored Convincing Wins In Last Sunday's Games

(By R.O.Y.)

OVERCOMING THE HANDICAP OF POOR GROUND CONDITIONS BETTER THAN THEIR RESPECTIVE OPPONENTS, Portugal and China earned the right to play off with each other for the Falconer International Shield, on Sunday last. Portugal ousted Canada by 13 bingles to 6, to register a 12-5 victory. The feature of the game was the hefty stickwork of Eddie Gosano, whose three clouts were good for 9 bases. "A.V." connected three times and Gerry twice, making a bag of 8 hits for the Gosano family.

Mike Mendonca muffed his only fielding chance, but redeemed himself by clouting a triple. The hurling of Johnny Alvarez was not as effective as usual, but D'Aquino gave sound support at the Keystone sack. Wally Ching caused much surprise when he turned out for Canada, instead of China, and gave his usual brilliant display. Denham Cray held the Hot corner in fine style, while George Chow shagged some difficult flies in the left garden, without error.

Len Alltree signaled his return to the local diamond with a rousing three bagger, that chased in three markers.

China whitewashed America to win by 9 clear tallies, with Tommy Chan pitching grand ball to concede the losers only 2 hits. P. F. Choy, in the absence of Wally Ching, did a grand job in the Windy Alley position.

Youthful Raymond Chang performed well at centre field, while Bill Woo and Hong Sling were very safe at first and second respectively. Ernie Hearther and Lawrence accounted for the losers' only bingles, the former also giving a sound display at the initial sack. "Honus" Waggoner, at short, was the star fielder although Dicky Davis gave an excellent display at the Keystone sack. Larry Brown, at centre, was the best of the gardeners.

WILDCATS RETAIN LEAD
The Wildcats retained the leadership of the Ladies' League when they trounced the Canadian Chinese by 14 runs to 8. Catcher Doris Mar took batting honours with 4 bingles in as many times at bat, while sisters Mary and Gloria clouted two apiece. May Chung, who starred at short, and Ella Chan, who was very sound at the initial sack, also garnered hits. The losers gave a fairly good display in defence, but fell down on their stickwork; of their 9 hits, no more than two came in any one

HONG GAMES

There was little to enthuse about, in the three Hong matches decided, all being one-sided. Nazarin and Abbas did some heavy slugging to enable Lacas to trounce the China Underwriters by 20 runs to 6. Union Insurance handed Texaco a 25-10 shellacking while Greenspots won even more convincingly over Kai Tak Airporters, registering 27 tallies to 7.

Tennis Tourney

TSUI EXTENDED IN FIRST SET

But Opponent Fades Out In Second

LEE WAI-TONG'S TWO LOVE SETS

FOR NINE GAMES in his second round match against Tsui Yun-pui in the Colony Open tennis championships at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday, T. J. Gould, an entrant from the Cricket Club, more than held his own; in fact, he was actually leading 5-4 at the end of the ninth game.

The players had been going on without an umpire and at that stage the services of one were requisitioned. Whether it was the relief from having to act as a judge as well as a player I cannot say, but from this point Tsui asserted himself and went out in straight sets with the loss of but one more game, the sixth of the second set.

During the nine games referred to, while it was clear that Tsui had not yet struck top form, there was also no question about Gould playing well. Less polished, with a style which, compared to that of his younger opponent, seemed very cramped, he was none the less effective.

He was weakish on the volley, but his forehand and backhand were both working well and he occasionally sent over some forceful shots at unexpected moments. Of overhead one saw nothing.

Tsui was a different player in the second set from the man who had been fighting for his points most of the first stanza.

With his confidence, which must have been a little shaken, regained by clinching the set lead at 7-5 after being down 5-4, he got into his stride properly, played his usual smooth, hard-hitting game, and dictated terms the way it had been anticipated he would.

Gould found himself down love-five in almost as many minutes. He managed to take the next game against service, but Tsui ended matters in the seventh game.

LEE WAI-TONG'S 12 STRAIGHT GAMES

Opposed to Leong Ping-chiu, Lee Wai-tong, Chinese Olympic soccer star and C.R.C. tennis ace, wasted no time, refusing to concede a single game and ending the match in a matter of about 20 minutes. Leong was, of course, completely outplayed, and Lee just won points at will.

Scores

OPEN SINGLES

Tsui Yun-pui beat T. J. Gould 7-5, 6-1.
Lee Wai-tong beat Leong Ping-chiu 6-0, 6-0.

TRAINING GALLOPS

The following times were clocked during the morning gallops at the Race Course yesterday:

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Last Qr.
Rob Roy	1	36.2	1.12.2	1.45.3	2.16.4	31.1
Stratherrick	1	32	1.01.4	1.31.2		29.8
Wild Cat	1	35.3	1.09.1	1.42.3		33.2
Lancashire Lass	1	38.3	1.11	1.42.4		31.4
Ruby Star & Rising Star	1	32.1	1.03.2	1.32.1		28.4
Bialston & Bressay	1	37.3	1.12.3	1.46.1		33.3
Tornado Star	1	33.4	1.05.3	1.34.2		28.4
Willynally	1	36.4	1.11	1.42.3		31.3
Wild Bear	1	39.3	1.16.4	1.51.4	2.23.3	31.4
Geordie	1	43.3	1.21.2	1.54.4		33.2
Triumphant Day	1	35.3	1.08.1	1.38.3	2.07	28.2
The Mermaid	1	38.2	1.18.4	1.52.2	2.30	34.3
Blue Express	1	34.3	1.12.2	1.46.2	2.16	29.3
Conquering Time	1	33.3	1.07	1.36.3		29.3
Blue Diamond	1	44.2	1.19.3	1.49.2		29.4
Strathannock	1	35.3	1.10	1.48.4	2.21	34.1
Oak Bay	1	33.3	1.08.3	1.38.3		30
Black Diamond	1	41.2	1.22	1.58	2.31	33
Centre Court	1	37	1.11	1.41.3	2.10.2	28.4
Celtic Star & Forgotten Star	1	38	1.09.2	1.40.1		30.4
Rose Jane	1	38	1.15	1.52.2	2.25.2	32
Magog	1	44.3	1.26	2.05.3	2.41.1	35.3
Moonlight View	1	36.1	1.01.1	1.40		29.4
Tabby Cat	1	43.1	1.20	1.55.2	2.29.1	33.4
Rose Day & Patriotic Day	1	41	1.18	1.51	2.25.2	34.2
Rose Evelyn	1	36.3	1.14	1.49	2.21	32
Millenay	1	38.2	1.14.2	1.47.1		32.4
Just in Time	1	32.2	1.03.4	1.34.3	2.06.2	31.4
Old Fashioned	1	38	1.15	1.50.2	2.25	34.3
Bistre	1	41	1.18	1.52.2	2.24.2	32
Jupiter	1	40.1	1.17.2	1.52.1	2.24.1	32
Heddon	1	40	1.17.1	1.54	2.27.3	33.3
Gladiator	1	37.1	1.13	1.48.3	2.21	32.2
Kut Cheong	1	41	1.18	1.53.2	2.25.3	32.1
New Star	1	38.3	1.15	1.49.4	2.20	30.1
Boolar Bay	1	42.1	1.19.4	1.54.3	2.26	31.2
Marksmen	1	45	1.24	1.59.2	2.29	32.3
Desert Star	1	42	1.20.1	1.58.2	2.32	33.3
Rose Emily	1	34	1.09	1.42	2.14.4	27.4
Criffel	1	39	1.13.3	1.43	2.10.2	32.2
This Time	1	40	1.15.2	1.49.2	2.22.2	33
National Victory	1	31	1.01	1.28.3		27.3
Scenic View	1	38	1.14	1.50	2.23.2	33.2
Avon	1	37.2	1.13	1.49	2.21	32
Chatter Box & Amberley	1	38.4	1.16.4	1.51.2	2.24	32.3
Pull Mall & Battleship	1	43	1.29.3	2.07.3	2.38.3	31
Musketier	1	37.2	1.12.3	1.45.3	2.17.2	31.4
Starlet	1	37	1.14.2	1.50	2.25	35
Silver Star & Radium Star	1	37	1.12.4	1.49	2.22.2	33.2
Sports Venture, Gallant Mar- shal & Some Hope	1	35	1.11.2	1.45	2.17.2	32.2
National Honour	1	42.3	1.21	1.53.3	2.32.3	34
Cockierol	1	32.1	1.03	1.31.3		28.3
Devoniam	1	30.3	1.00	1.28.2		28.2
Jennifer	1	31.2	1.05.1	1.37.4	2.09.2	31.3
Golden Cow, Matador & Talka- tive	1	48	1.28.1	2.04.2	2.35.1	30.4
Gold Coin	1	41.3	1.22.3	1.57.4	2.31.3	33.4
February Fourth & Fairchild	1	36.2	1.14.3	1.50.2	2.22.3	32.1
Lovely Star	1	36.2	1.11.4	1.46	2.18.1	32.1
Racing Boy	1	37	1.13.1	1.48.1		35
Dekko	1	42	1.19.1	1.52.1	2.23	30.4
Candlelight	1	33.1	1.04.2	1.34.3	2.05.4	31.1
The Buccaneer, Charcoal & Spirit Of St. Louis	1	33.3	1.14.4	1.56.3	2.28.3	32
Opening Batsman	1	40.2	1.18.3	1.52	2.25.1	33.1
Tiger Eyes & Gold Sovereign	1	44	1.23.2	1.58.4	2.31.3	32.4

Training Times For Macao Ponies

The following times were clocked during training gallops of Macao ponies on Saturday, March 25, in wet weather on a sand track:

Hogmanay	46	1.26	2.02	2.36	34
Fairy Ousel	43	1.23	2.00.4	2.35	34.1
Gold Clause	42	1.19.2	1.55		35.3
Fairy Auk	41	1.20.2	1.56	2.29	33
Eagle	41	1.23.2	1.56	2.29	33
Merry Maker	40	1.17	1.50		33
Cloudy Star	42	1.21	1.58	2.32	34
Fan Tan	42	1.21	1.58	2.32	34
Iron Knight	43	1.22	2.01	2.35.2	34.2
Persian Cat	43	1.32	2.01	2.34.4	35.4
Double Up	45	1.24	2.02.2	2.39	36.3
Rothesay Bay	41	1.17	1.51		34
Mac's Adventure	38	1.15	1.48		33
Mongolian Cat	42	1.21	1.55.1		34.1
Courneur Bleu	40	1.18.2	1.53		34.3
Victory Life	41	1.19.3	1.56	2.30	34
Shanghai 4	45	1.25	2.01		36

30TH R.A. WIN

In the play-off for the runners-up position in Third Division "A" League Football, the 30th Battery, Royal Artillery, triumphed over South China on the Club ground yesterday by three goals to two. The half-time score was one-all.

The scorers for the 30th Battery were Guy Tuckley, and Halpin, and Wan Cheek-sun and Willie Yeung scored for South China.

WIN FOR ARIEL

The sweepstake race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club sailed yesterday afternoon resulted in a win for Ariel (Capt. Drew Wilkinson). Detailed results were:

Mixed Classes—Started 14.45	Finished Corr. Pos.
Ariel	16.38.35 16.38.35 1
(Capt. Drew Wilkinson)	
Nereid II	16.47.14 16.38.19 3
(Lt. Fanshawe, R.N.)	
Isobel	16.48.02 16.39.07 5
(Capt. R. L. Berridge)	
Gull	16.48.11 16.39.16 7
(Capt. A. O. G. Mills)	
True Blue	16.47.26 16.38.31 4
(Miss H. Crawhall Wilson)	
Kittiwake	16.44.18 16.37.23 2
(Miss P. M. King)	
Painted Lady	16.49.58 16.40.58 6
(Capt. M. T. L. Wilkinson)	
Teal	(Capt. J. E. Dobbs) D.N.F.
Ailsa	16.54.07 16.42.31 9
(Mr. G. Moffatt Wilson)	
Stella	16.52.37 16.38.14 8
(Mr. F. J. Atkins)	

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

CRICKET—First Division: Hongkong C.C. v. C.C.C.; Club de Recreation v. Royal Navy; Second Division: C.C.C. v. Hongkong C.C.; Indian R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.; O.S.C.C. v. Club de Recreation; University v. Army.

TO-MORROW

ATHLETICS—Wah Yan College, Kowloon, Annual Meet (Kowloon F.C.), 1 p.m.; St. Paul's College Annual Meet (Caroline Hill), 1.30 p.m.

BOXING—Army Tournament (Nanking Barracks), 8 p.m.

HOCKEY—Caer Clarke Cup, St. Andrew's v. "Y", 5.30 p.m.

MEETINGS—Badminton Club, at 8 & 9.30 p.m.

TENNIS—Colony Championships—Open Singles, Lin Thiam-tet v. E. C. Fincher; T. M. A. Razak v. Luk Chun-cheung; Tsui Wai-pui v. Wong Shiu-wing. Open Doubles, Major Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky or Lt. D. C. Misra and Lt. S. M. Afzal v. Lt. Col. Newnam and Major F. T. Barnes. Handicap Singles, N. L. Evans v. L. M. S. Lloyd; T. J. Price v. R. K. Valentine. Handicap Doubles, J. L. C. Pearce and T. E. Pearce v. E. Laidlaw and A. C. Beck. Handicap Mixed Doubles, E. J. R. and Mrs. Mitchell v. T. J. Gould and Mrs. Whyte-Smith.

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BADMINTON—Colony Championships, Better Singles, semi-

finals, K. L. Yong v. C. Au (Tai-koo), 8 p.m.; Y. M. C. A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 8.30 p.m.

BRIDGE—Y. M. C. A. Women's Section Bridge Class, 10 a.m.

FOOTBALL—First Division, Mid-dlesex v. Eastern (Sookim-poo), 5 p.m.

HOCKEY—Hongkong H.C. v. R. Navy (King's Park), 5 p.m.

Brawn Cup, St. Andrew's v. Y. M. C. A. (CHAO), 5.15 p.m.

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MAJESTIC:
 "Alexander's Ragtime Band"

"THREE BLIND MICE"

Sparkling, scintillating and gay, with all the vivacity that is so much a part of gorgeously feminine Loretta Young, "Three Blind Mice," her newest romantic portrayal of a modern American girl, opens to-day at the King's Theatre as a rousing hit, with Joel McCrea sharing the star honours.

This 20th Century-Fox production, under the personal supervision of Darryl F. Zanuck and directed by the master of gay dramatic touches, William A. Wellman, is splendid entertainment. Not content with the choice of three of Hollywood's most beautiful women as the "Three Blind Mice," the producer has built a cast around Stephen Powys as yet unproduced stage play that includes another trio of filmland's best known masculine names.

Binnie Barnes and Jane Darwell complete the featured cast. The screen play was prepared by Brown Holmes and Lynn Starling. Raymond Griffith was associate producer.

"BATTLE OF BROADWAY"

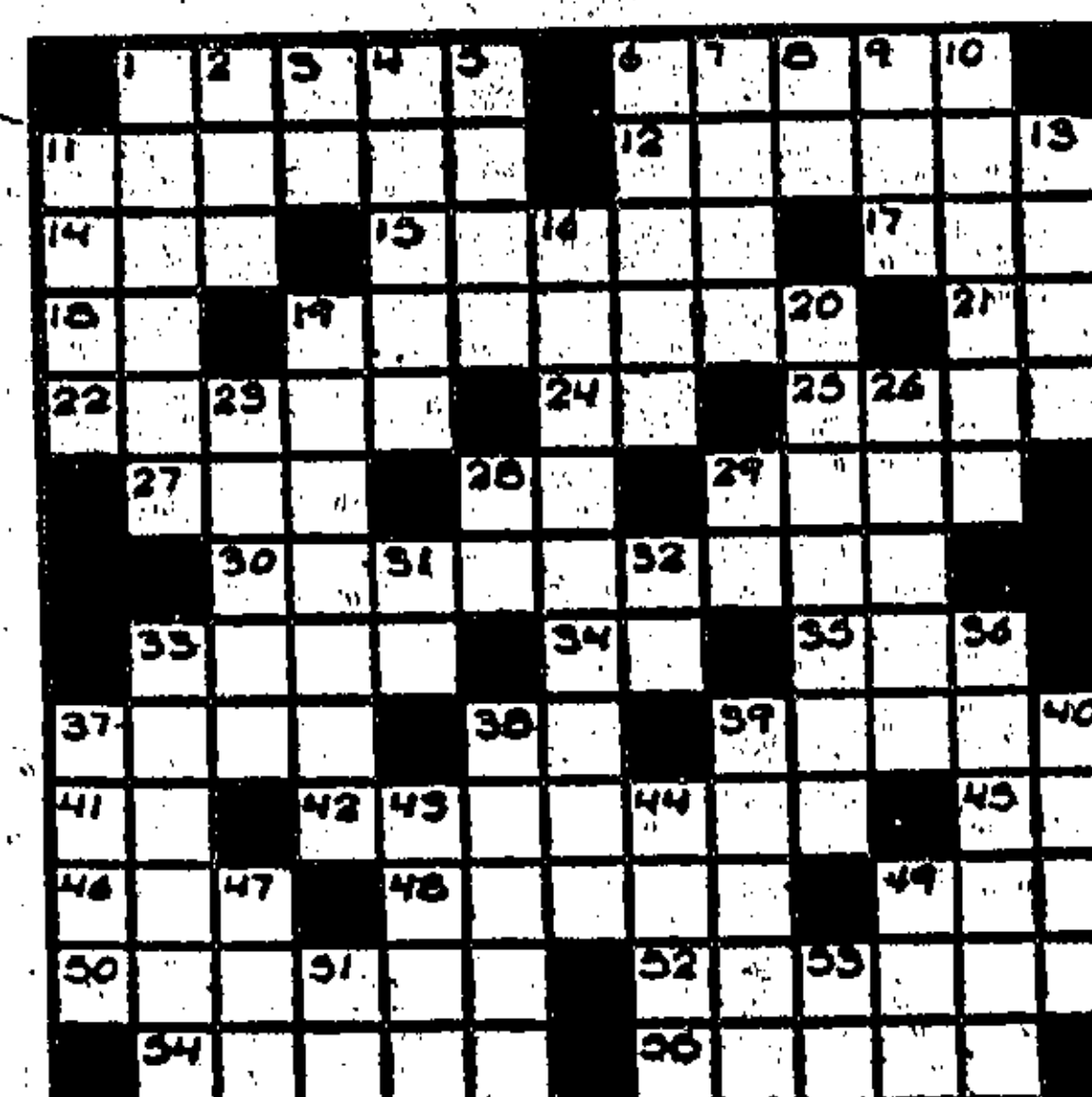
The Army, Navy and Marines landed last night—and left the audience at the Majestic Theatre completely out of hand.

The merry military onslaught by all branches of the service, of course, was the robust and riotous "Battle of Broadway," which is based on the American Legion's "unconventional" convention in New York. Victor (Seymour) McLaughlin and Brian (One punch) Donlevy arrive on the Gay White Way in the Legion vanguard—to see what makes the cozy little village on the Hudson River so popular.

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- Towards
- The sheltered side
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- Charge with gas



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- Embarked
- Fashion
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How would you like to take a nap with an elephant for a pillow? The script of "It's Spring Again," new Hal Roach comedy romance, called for a scene showing Oliver Hardy asleep on the front lawn of his home with his head and shoulders resting against the expanse of the elephant's chest.

Queenie, the elephant, was reluctant to simulate sleep under the bright light of dozens of arcs. She gave voice to her protests by a series of weird trumpeting. Each time she disrupted the scene calling for both Queenie and Hardy to be deep in slumbers.

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TO-DAY

ANNIVERSARIES AND HOLIDAYS.

—Sir Philip Game born, 1876.

CINEMAS.—(See Column 3 of this Page).

LECTURES.—Lt. Cmdr. S. J. Horswell on "South to the Pole," at St. Andrew's Hall, 9 p.m.; A.R.P. Public Restaurant, Jockey Club, Happy Valley, 5.15 p.m.; First Aid in Chinese (for men), at Ambulance Hqs., 7.30 p.m.; "Repairs" for Motor Ambulance Drivers, at Volunteer Hqs., 11 a.m.; Home Nursing, Kowloon Hospital, Outpatients' Dept., 6 p.m.; First Aid, Queen Mary Hospital, 6 p.m.; Theosophical Society, 6 p.m.

MAILS.—(See Page 16).

MEETINGS.—Monthly, of Hongkong Philatelic Society, in S. C. M. Post Bldg., 6.30 p.m.; Women's Bible Study Circle on "The Book of Revelation," H.K. Evangelical Fraternity, 218 Nathan Road, 10.30 a.m.; St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 3 p.m.; Cathedral Scouts, at Hqs., Lower Albert Road, 5.30 p.m.; Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.; Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Drawing... of Debentures at Hongkong Club, 10.30 a.m.; Y.M.C.A. Women's Section, Mahjong for Beginners, 10 a.m., Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m.

MOON.—Chinese II Moon, 10th Day.

RELIGIOUS.—St. John's Confirmation Class (Adults), Lady Chapel, 5.30 p.m.

SOCIAL.—R.A.O.B. (G.L.E.) Club Whist Drive and Tombola, Queen's Building, Ice House Street, 8.30 p.m.; Public Works Recreation Club Tombola, Causeway Bay, 8 p.m.; Chess Club Bridge Evening.

SPORTS.—(See Page 2).

SUNRISE.—6.20 a.m. SUNSET.—6.37 p.m.

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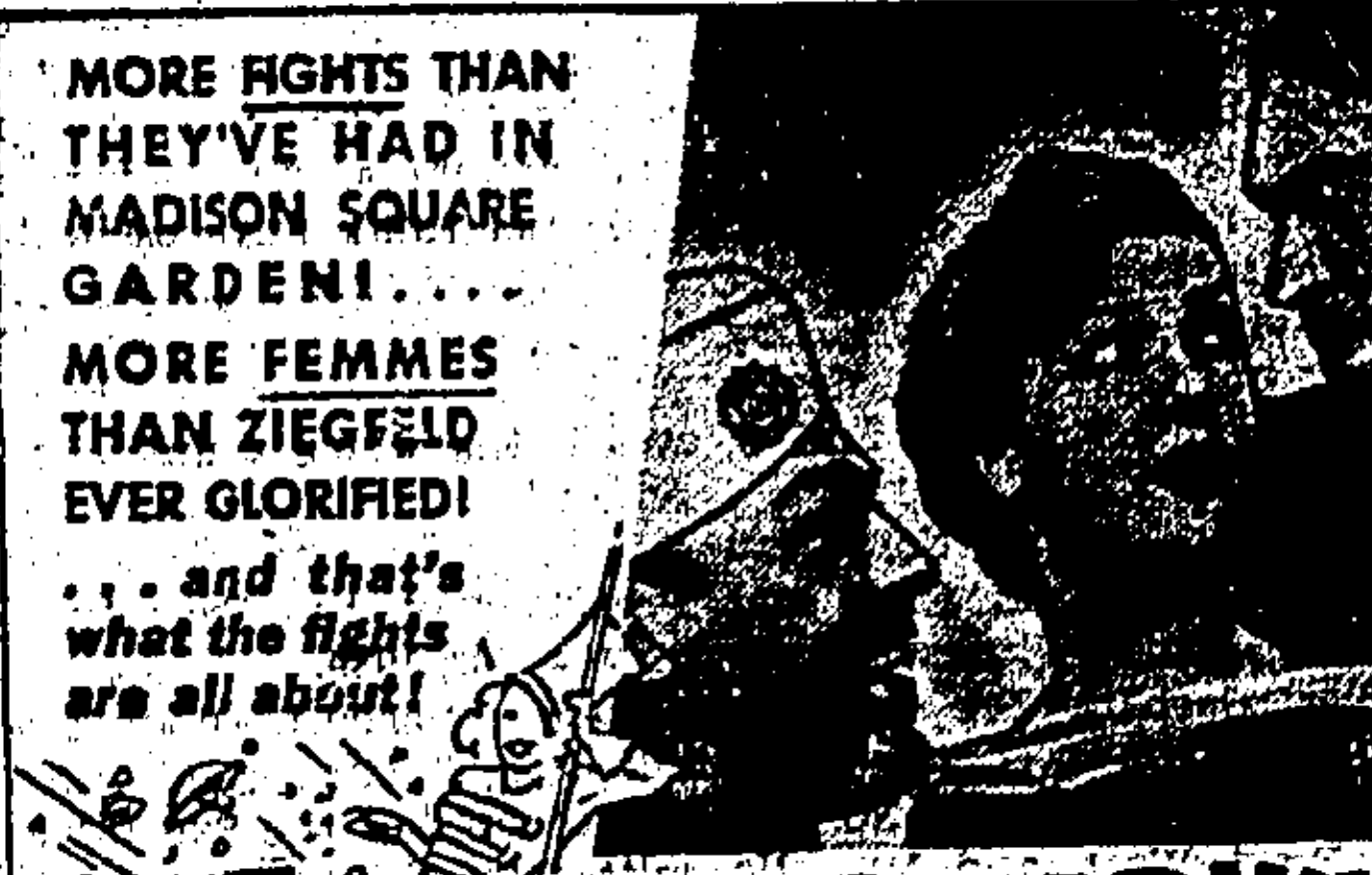
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WOMEN'S PAGE

LADIES-IN-WAITING, QUEEN'S FRIENDS, ON CANADA TOUR

The King and Queen have chosen a royal suite of ten to accompany them on their visit to Canada in May. The party will include two Ladies-in-Waiting who are friends of the Queen.

The names were announced from Buckingham Palace:

Lady Nunburnholme, Lady-in-Waiting.

Lady Katharine Seymour, Lady-in-Waiting.

The Earl of Eldon, Lord-in-Waiting to the King.

The Earl of Airlie, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen.

Mr. A. Lascelles, Acting Private Secretary to the King.

Surgeon-Captain H. White, R.N., medical officer.

Mr. G. F. Steward, chief Press Liaison officer.

Captain M. A. Adeane, Assistant Private Secretary to the King.

Lieut-Colonel the Hon. Piers Legh, Esquerry to the King.

Commander E. M. C. Abel-Smith, R.N., Esquerry to the King.

Lady Nunburnholme, tall, dark, and attractive, was a bridesmaid at the weddings of both the Queen and Princess Mary.

Lady Katharine Seymour, a Lady of the Redchamber, was for some years a Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Mary. Her husband, Sir Reginald Seymour, an esquerry to Queen Mary, died four months ago.

Lord Eldon has been a Lord-in-Waiting to the King since March 1937.

Lord Airlie, head of the "Bonnie House of Airlie," was a Lord-in-Waiting to King George V.

11 WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

Deputy Registrar Has Busy Time

The Registry, Supreme Court, was the venue of eleven weddings yesterday. Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated at all the ceremonies, the parties to which were:—

Mr. Peter Nicolas Barten, merchant, residing at the Metropole Hotel, and Miss Doris May Hunt, daughter of Sub-Inspector R. J. Hunt, of the Hongkong Police. The bride is a former Colony swimming champion. Witnesses of the ceremony were the bride's father and Mr. N. Zatz.

Mr. Francis Chan, of the Bank of China, and Miss Janet Tong, Messrs. Chan Wing-kue and Tong Poo-chong, fathers of the contracting parties, were the witnesses.

Mr. Lam Kwan-cheong, salesman of "Lucille," and Miss Tso Sul-pik, of "Ching Yuen," Castle Peak. Witnesses were Messrs. Kan Hing-lum and Wong Yuk-ye.

Mr. Leung Lai-sang, of Messrs. Carlowitz and Co., and Miss Chily Ng. The witnesses were the bride's and groom's fathers, Messrs. Ng Lok-chi and Leung Kat-po.

Mr. Lew Soo-gong, engineer, and Miss Lai Tak-kan, of No. 12 Essex Crescent, Kowloon Tong. The witnesses were Mr. Y. K. Chow and Mrs. Lai Kwok-pui.

Mr. Leung Pul-sheung, time-keeper of H. M. Dockyard, and Miss Ma Yin-ping, of No. 6 Wong Chuk Street, Shamshuipo. The groom's father, Mr. Leung Nai-poon, and Mr. Wong Dai were the witnesses.

Mr. Alfred Hon Wing Chin, of Messrs. Jensen and Co., and Miss Ng Wal-ching, daughter of Mr. Ng Hei-po, merchant. The bride's father and Mr. Chan Yan-pui were the witnesses.

Mr. Wong Shiu-leung, cashier of the Sun Nam Company, and Miss Loh Shuk-ying, of No. 9 Yan King Street, Tai Po Market. Witnesses were Messrs. Chi Kin-tang and C. C. Cheng.

Mr. Harry Con Jue, of No. 7 Hau Wong Street, Kowloon City, and Miss Rachel Yin. Witnesses were Mrs. Helen Barbara Yee and Mr. Joseph Sun.

Mr. Chow Hung-kee, of No. 353 Kien's Road West, and Miss Ng Kam-wah, of No. 325 Queen's Road West. The bride's father, Mr. Ng Shun-man, and Mr. Chow Hung-pak, were the witnesses.

Mr. Wan Yat-lam, of No. 332 Castle Peak Road, and Miss Wong Fong-pow, of No. 24 Kilung Street, Messrs. Ho Lap-cho and W. Shanz Tat were the witnesses.

CEYLON RED CROSS

Lady Caldecott President

H. E. the Governor presided over the annual general meeting of the Ceylon Red Cross Society (Ceylon Central Branch) held recently.

In paying a tribute to the activities of the Branch, the Governor said: "I understand that there is considerable difference of opinion in this Island as to what constitutes the proper function and powers of the Governor, but I do not think anybody will gainsay the propriety of my expressing on behalf of the whole Island our gratitude for a service of which the whole country is justly proud."

Lady Caldecott was re-elected President of the Executive Committee for 1939.

Lady Caldecott, in moving the adoption of the report and audited accounts of the Executive Committee for the year ended December 31, 1938, said that in her last presidential address she had congratulated the Society on a year of remarkable progress and activity.

"As you will see from the report for 1938 that progress has been successfully maintained," she continued.

LOCAL BRANCHES

"The number of local branches has increased from 17 to 23 (applause) and the membership from 1,267 to 1,371 (applause), while the finances of the Society are in a very satisfactory condition."

"The enthusiasm shown by many of the local branches has been most encouraging and, as President of the Ceylon Central Council, I should like to take this opportunity of thanking the officers and members of the Committees of the local branches for the work they have done during the year."

"I also want to thank all those doctors and nurses who have generously devoted so much of their time and energy as lecturers and examiners."

Her address, she said, would not be complete without a reference to their Organising Secretary, Dr. Fitzroy Keyt, to whose energy and hard work the success of the Society was largely due. (applause)

On behalf of the Society she expressed the wish that Dr. Keyt would enjoy a well-earned holiday.



A GROUP OF INTERESTED spectators at the First Extra Race meeting held at the Valley. (Photo by Leica).

NEWSETTES

Sanitary Insp. T. S. Clark celebrates his 38th birthday today.

Mr. H. H. Rose, of the Public Works Department, will celebrate his 43rd birthday today.

Mrs. A. Tate and her infant child arrived here from London yesterday in the s. s. Chitral.

Mr. J. R. Jones was a passenger in the Chitral which arrived here from London yesterday.

Dr. W. Van Hasselt arrived in the Colony yesterday from Singapore. He travelled in the Chitral.

Mr. Bert J. Chen, manager of the Reliance Motors, left yesterday for Haiphong on a business trip.

Mr. G. C. Dudley was a passenger in the Chitral, which arrived here from Penang yesterday.

Mr. C. Chiu arrived in the Colony yesterday in the Chitral en route to Shanghai.

Captain J. F. Wylie, who has been visiting Singapore, returned to Hongkong yesterday in the Chitral.

Mr. J. K. Simpson, of the Shanghai Gas Co., passed through the Colony yesterday on his return to Shanghai from home leave.

Mr. A. E. Marks, the Shanghai business-man, passed through the Colony yesterday in the s. s. Chitral.

Sir Adam Ritchie, chairman of the Borneo Company, has left Singapore for Sarawak to inspect new timber concessions there.

Prof. L. T. Ride returned to the Colony yesterday in the s. s. Chitral from Singapore.

At the meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday next, the Rev. Frank Short will speak on "Beyond Politics."

Captain and Mrs. J. Smith were passengers for Shanghai travelling in the s. s. Chitral from London.

Mrs. R. S. MacMillan passed through Hongkong yesterday in the Chitral on her way from Singapore to Shanghai.

Miss E. Ma, of Singapore, travelled in the s. s. Chitral which arrived here yesterday on its way to Shanghai.

Major and Mrs. F. G. Britton were passengers in the s. s. Chitral which passed through Hongkong yesterday on its way from Singapore to Shanghai.

Mr. B. Lalcaca, of the firm bearing his name, passed through Hongkong yesterday in the s. s. Chitral en route from Colombo to Shanghai.

"That the Advantages of Colonial Life in Hongkong Outweigh the Disadvantages" will be the subject to be debated on Monday next at 9 p.m. at the European Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon.

The engagement is announced between Squadron Leader Reginald Charles Gaskell, R.A.F., elder son of the late Frank Hill Gaskell and of Mrs. Gaskell, of Fortcawley, South Wales, and Evelyn Mary, daughter of Alfred Humphreys and the late Mrs. Humphreys, of California and Hongkong.

The F. M. S. Police force bade farewell at a tea-party to Mr. C. F. Sansom, the retiring Inspector General and Mrs. Sansom. At the same time they welcomed Mr. and Mrs. E. Bagot, Mr. Bagot comes as the new Inspector General of Police.

Mr. A. D. Brown, of the Marine Department, Chinese Maritime Customs, and Mrs. Brown were through passengers in the Chitral en route from London to Shanghai.

Dr. D. B. Gater, of the Lester Chinese Hospital, Shanghai, and his family travelled in the Chitral from London on their way to Shanghai. They were in Hongkong yesterday.

Mr. A. Marshall, of the Yee Tsong Tobacco Co., and Mrs. Marshall and child, were among the Chitral's passengers who passed through Hongkong yesterday en route to Shanghai.

Brigadier G. B. O. Taylor, C. B. E., chief engineer, Northern Command, is a visitor to Hongkong, having arrived here yesterday in the s. s. Chitral.

Mrs. G. Jarvis, of the Coast Inspector's Office, Chinese Maritime Customs, passed through yesterday on her return to Shanghai from leave spent at home.

Mr. S. G. C. Wehman, of Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Shanghai, was a through passenger in the s. s. Chitral which arrived yesterday from London. He is on his way back to Shanghai.

Mr. J. H. Drummond, of the Marine Department, Chinese Maritime Customs, and his family, were passengers in the s. s. Chitral on their way to Shanghai from London. They passed through the Colony yesterday.

Dr. E. G. Gauntlett, one of Shanghai's leading medical practitioners, and Mrs. Gauntlett, who have been on a trip to Malaya, returned to Hongkong yesterday in the Chitral on their way to the north.

The engagement is announced between Siew Lan, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lim Chwee Leong, and Dr. Chia Chin Tong, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Chia Keng Tye, of Singapore.

Dr. Victor Hoo, Chinese Minister to Switzerland, was appointed Chinese delegate to the 24th Conference of the Opium-Suppression Commission of the League of Nations by the Executive Yuan at its meeting in March 28.

The Rev. Z. K. Zia, who is well-known as a writer of Christian books in Chinese, who is now associated with the Christian Literature Society, is paying a visit to the Colony, having arrived here in the s. s. Boissvain from Shanghai.

Mr. K. S. Lee, noted Christian lecturer, who recently returned to Hongkong after an extended visit to Europe and the United States, and who has been visiting Shanghai, returned to the Colony from the northern port in the s. s. Boissvain on Tuesday.

At St. Andrew's Cathedral recently, Mr. P. Hutchinson, a warder attached to Changi Prison, was married to Miss Elizabeth Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. A. Todd of Thirsk, Yorkshire, England. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hutchinson, also of Thirsk.

The F. M. S. Police force bade farewell at a tea-party to Mr. C. F. Sansom, the retiring Inspector General and Mrs. Sansom. At the same time they welcomed Mr. and Mrs. E. Bagot, Mr. Bagot comes as the new Inspector General of Police.

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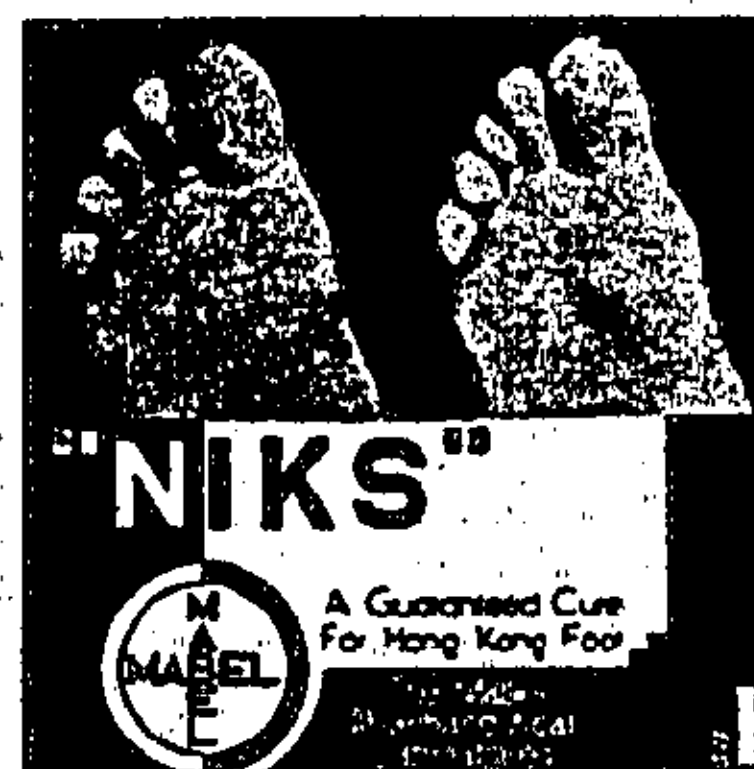
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Endive and Kumquat Salad
Cheese Straws
Sweetbread Timbales
Green Peas
Creamed Spinach
Strawberry Tart
Tea

DINNER

(Guests)
Chicken Gumbo Soup
Waldorf Salad
Corn Sticks
Fried Chicken
Sweet Potatoes
Baked Vegetable Ring
Peach Cobbler
Demi Tasse

EGYPTIAN PRINCESS' WEDDING

LONDON, March 29 (Reuter)—The Earl of Athlone, who is representing the King at the civil ceremony in connection with the marriage of the Crown Prince of Iran to Princess Fawzia, sister of King Farouk, is leaving London with Princess Alice on April 4 for Tehran. He will arrive there on April 19.



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FOUR MEN TO PAY EXTREME PENALTY

Wo Fung Shop Murder

No Connivance Held Against The First Accused

Sentence of death was passed by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, on four of the five accused who were found guilty, after the jury had deliberated for nearly two hours, of the murder, in the early hours of February 6, of Leung Hung, 60-year-old partner of the Wo Fung Shop, money-changers and grocers, at No. 155, Wuhu Street, Hunghom.

The cause of Leung Hung's death was asphyxiation, brought about by his set of false teeth, which was dislodged by an orange thrust into his mouth as a gag, forcing back the tongue.

The condemned men were LAM KAM-CHUN, FUNG CHAK, LI SHEK-MAN (ALIAS LI TOK, ALIAS MANG KAI TSAI), AND LEUNG TAI, LEUNG CHAU was found not guilty.

The first four men were members of a gang which carried out a robbery at the shop, and the last named, who was a fook, was alleged to have opened the door for the robbers.

The prosecution was conducted by MR. J. WHYATT, CROWN COUNSEL. LEUNG CHAU was defended by MR. HIN-SHING LO, instructed by MR. C. Y. KWAN, while the other four accused were represented by MR. H. W. LEE, instructed by MR. WOO PAK-YUNG.

The jury comprised Messrs. B. A. Proulx (foreman), Tham Khal-hong, S. N. Potoulouff, P. T. Mann, Wong Sun-ye, F. J. dos Remedios and K. J. K. H. Haase.

EACH EQUALLY GUILTY

The court was crowded yesterday when His Lordship summed up.

"What the Crown says is that each of the prisoners is equally guilty because they were all members of a conspiracy, the clear object of which was to commit a robbery with violence," said the Chief Justice to the jury.

"The evidence has established beyond doubt that there had been a robbery, that the victims were bound and gagged, and that the robbers took with them oranges, wire and tape for the purpose. Further, it has been established that the old man met his death as a result of their actions."

"The evidence as to the preliminary conversation between the members of the gang and their actions before the robbery does not concern the first prisoner at all, the reason being that he was already in the premises."

"The case against him in brief is that it was only with his connivance that the robbers were able to gain admittance."

NO EVIDENCE

"There is no evidence that he took part in the robbery, for he himself was gagged and bound, but if you are satisfied that he opened the door for his fellow robbers, then he is equally guilty, irrespective of the fact that he was tied up and that he made an outcry about his own loss."

His Lordship said that a point in favour of the first accused was that there had never been any suggestion that he had been allotted a share of the loot when the robbers divided the spoils after the robbery.

In fact, the evidence showed that the prisoner not only lost his gold ring but was completely ignored by his fellow-robbers when the distribution of the spoils took place. This,

His Lordship pointed out, must play very prominently in the minds of the jury.

NO LACK OF CORROBORATION

Dealing with the case against the other four prisoners, His Lordship said that the evidence against them was given by a self-confessed member of the gang, who, in law, was an accomplice. It would be very unsafe to accept his evidence so far as it affected the prisoners, unless he was corroborated, but in this case there was no lack of corroboration, for each of the accused had made a statement telling in the frankest manner just how they took part in the robbery.

There never had been any attempt by any of the prisoners to disguise the fact that they were members of the gang.

None of these four prisoners had given evidence denying that they had taken part in the robbery, and if the jury were satisfied they had a common design they were all guilty, for it mattered not whether they were actually inside or outside the premises at the time.

The jury returned their verdict after deliberating for one hour and 55 minutes, and, in the tense silence which enveloped the court, the Chief Justice donned his black cap and pronounced the supreme penalty on the four men.

FALSE TRADE MARK ALLEGED

Tang Wing-kai, accountant of the Wing Shun firm at No. 623, Shanghai Street, Kowloon, was summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, at the Kowloon Court yesterday, for having in possession for sale a drug named Selover, to which a false trade mark had been applied.

The complainants were the United States Medicine Company, of No. 5, Wing Lok Street, represented by Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau.

Pleading not guilty, Tang said he did not know when he purchased the goods, that the trade marks were false. He bought the medicine from the New Life Medicine shop at the Chinese New Year.

He further alleged that he had communicated with the complainant firm and that the manager had agreed to withdraw the charge if an advertisement was inserted in the daily newspaper extending the Wing Shun firm's apologies.

Lo Kwok-choi, manager of the defendant firm, also testified that he had come to an agreement with the complainant firm regarding the insertion of the advertisement without further prosecution.

Further hearing was adjourned until noon to-day.

The Chinese Kaomintang is calling for new members. Instructions to the Party organs in various provinces and municipalities to this effect have been sent out.

PACIFISM AND POLITICS

Mr. S. A. Gray's Talk Before P.P.U.

NEW BASIS NEED STRESSED

The necessity of a new, and essentially humanitarian basis for a political policy which could be embraced by pacifists was stressed by Mr. S. A. Gray when he addressed the Peace Pledge Union at the Challenge Bookshop yesterday on "Pacifism and Politics."

The speaker said that although he felt that Socialism offered the best form of expressing the pacifist's political aims, they had to be quite convinced as to what they meant by Socialism.

The term, politics, too, was so comprehensive, that it was as well to appreciate what it implied. The scope of politics had developed enormously, due largely to the mental awakening of the mass-man. The relationship between capital and labour now constituted an important factor in national and international politics, and out of this had arisen other political issues such as education and social welfare.

Finance and economics, themselves complex and bewilderingly inter-related, were now vitally connected with all forms of politics, from the purely domestic type found in the municipalities to those governing international relationships.

POLITICAL IDEOLOGIES

Pacifists, he said, had first to investigate the various political ideologies in existence to see if they could discover in any of them programmes and methods compatible with pacifist ideals.

Socialism appeared to hold out some hope, but not the Socialism propounded, for example, by the British Socialists, whose concept of a revolution was civil war—in itself the very negation of pure Socialism. Because the British Socialism had not been able to obtain a true conception of Socialism, they had been forced to temporise with capitalist society, and to-day were lending themselves to the very errors of that system which they had for so long derided.

A NEW BASIS

In suggesting the alternative, the speaker said that it seemed the most essential need to-day was a new basis, thoroughly humanitarian, on which to formulate a political creed and on which to effect political actions. The predominating factor must be human values.

The new basis must be founded on a change of heart, implying a mental and spiritual revolution. The new approach must be based on the brotherhood of man, which was not impracticable idealism, but which could be realised forthwith if the mass-man was prepared to make the change.

The abandonment of racial distinctions, the elimination of the maldistribution of the world's wealth, a new credit system, the freeing of capital, the abolition of gambling on stocks, shares and exchange, by which unearned money was allowed to accrue to one individual at the expense of another, and the recognition of a minimum wage level, were part of a political programme which would naturally arise from a fundamental concept of the brotherhood of man.

"From Individuality to Universality" is the title of the free public lecture to be given by Dr. Arthur Fung at the lodge-room of the Theosophical Society at 6 o'clock to-night. The lodge room is situated at 1B Chater Road and all interested are welcome.

PILLION RIDER'S EVIDENCE

Sequel To Motor Collision

Hearing of summonses against A. G. Hargreave, of the Imperial Chemical Industries (China), Ltd., for driving a car without due care and caution, and driving whilst under the influence of drink, was continued before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday, and was adjourned to April 3.

Traffic-Inspector S. C. Saunders prosecuted, and Mr. F. G. Nigel was for the defence.

Wong Wing-kit gave evidence that on the day in question, he was riding pillion on the motor-cycle along Bonham Road, from west to east at about 15 miles per hour. Witness had four years' driving experience and the pillion on which he sat was not tied at all.

When the motor-cycle had passed Fung Ping Shan Library, witness saw a motor car approach from the opposite direction. Witness told Woo Kam-tie, the driver, to be careful.

Defendant's car went to the wrong side of the road and Woo Kam-tie swerved to avoid a collision. Defendant did likewise, and in so doing the vehicles collided. Witness faintly and when he recovered he saw the front part of the cycle underneath defendant's car.

FUNERAL OF MRS. F. WALLACE

The funeral took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday of Mrs. Florence Wallace, wife of Sergt. Wallace of the 2nd Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders.

Mrs. Wallace, who died on Tuesday at the Queen Mary Hospital after a prolonged illness, is survived by her husband and three children.

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. E. D. G. Staunton and was attended by Major and Mrs. G. S. Rawstorn and many members of the married families of the Seaforth Highlanders.

A wreath from her husband and beloved children was lowered into the grave with the casket, and other floral tribute were sent by the following:—Mother; Major and Mrs. Rawstorn; Maj.-Gen. A. E. Grasett, D.S.O., M.C. and Staff Officers, Headquarters, China Command; Brig. J. T. W. Reeve, D.S.O. and Staff Officers, H.K. Infantry Brigade; All Ranks and Details of 1st Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders; Lt.-Col. W. J. McDougall, M.C. and all Ranks of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots; Sergeants' Mess, 1st Bn. Seaforth Highlanders; Warrant Officers and Sergeants of 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots; Warrant Officers and Sergeants of 1st Bn. Middlesex Regiment; Married families of 1st Bn. Seaforth Highlanders; Sergeant and Mrs. Bachan, R.A.M.C. and Sergeant and Mrs. Wellwood, R.E. 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment (D Co.); Corporals and Lance-corporals of 1st Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders.

ENTERING COLONY WITHOUT PASSPORTS

Machida Gueshiro, a 19-year-old Japanese journalist was fined \$10, and another Japanese, Tokunara Koba, 53, a merchant, was fined \$20 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday, for entering the Colony without passports. Both defendants arrived from Canton via Macao.

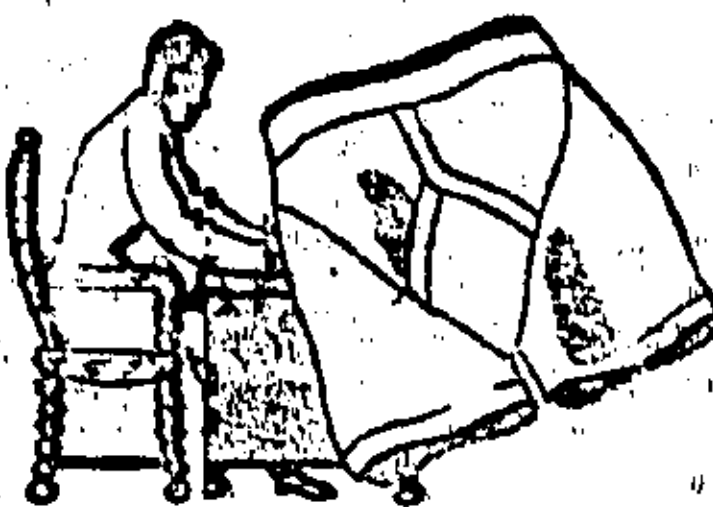
First defendant told the Court that he was of the opinion that it was not necessary to have a passport as he was only staying for a few days. He voluntarily reported at the Registration Office upon his arrival on Mar. 28.

Second defendant also claimed to have made a voluntary report upon his arrival.



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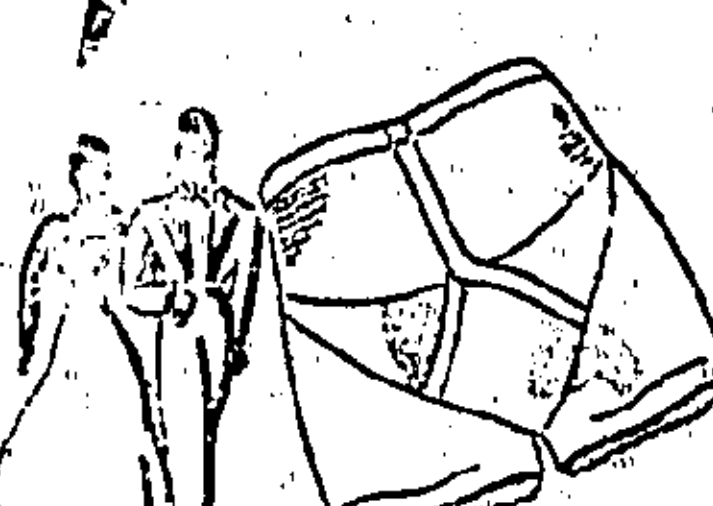
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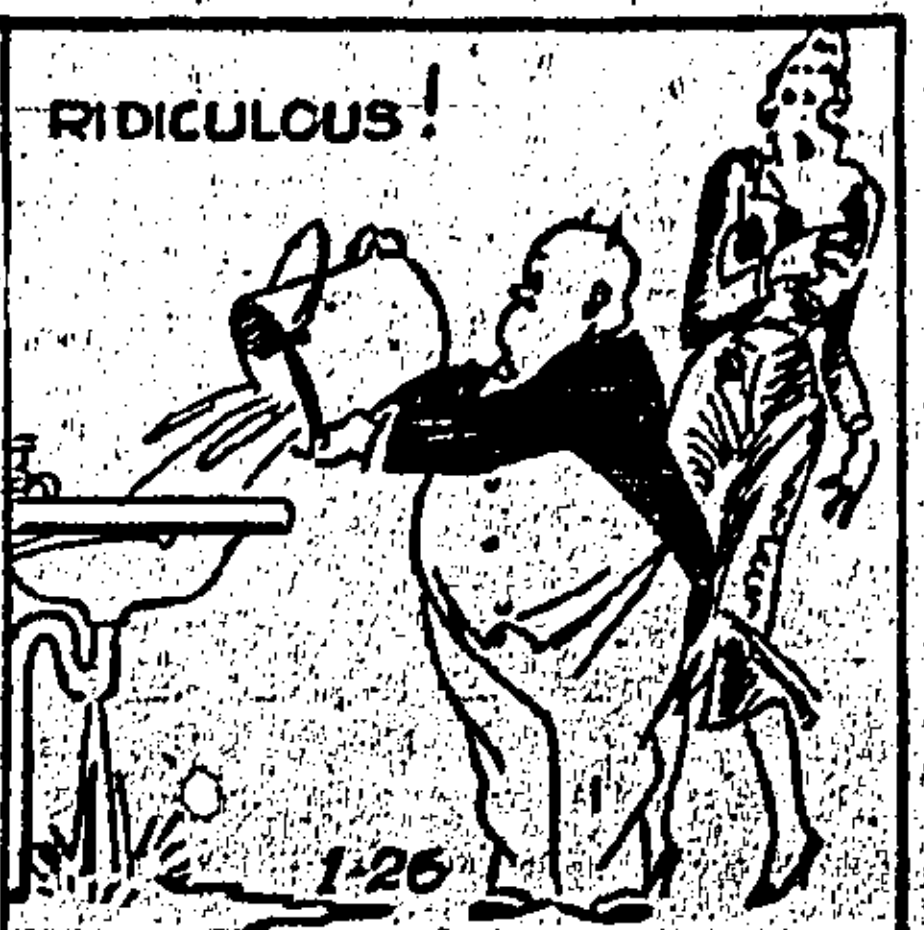
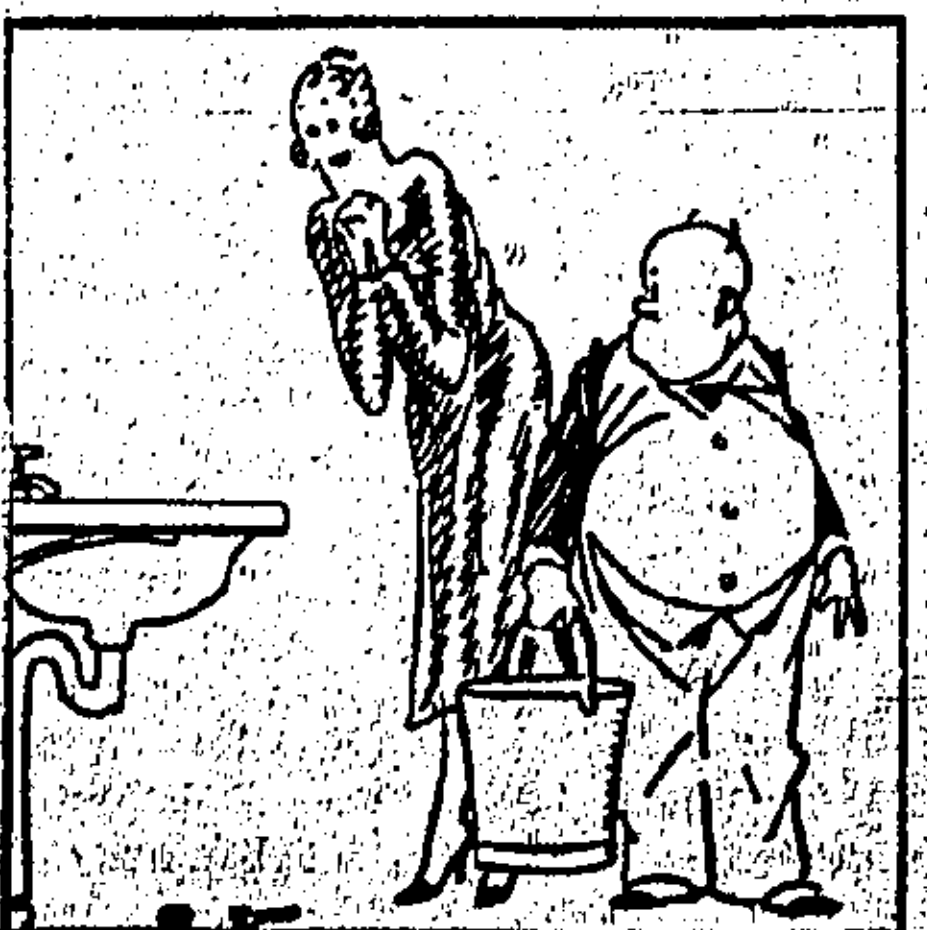
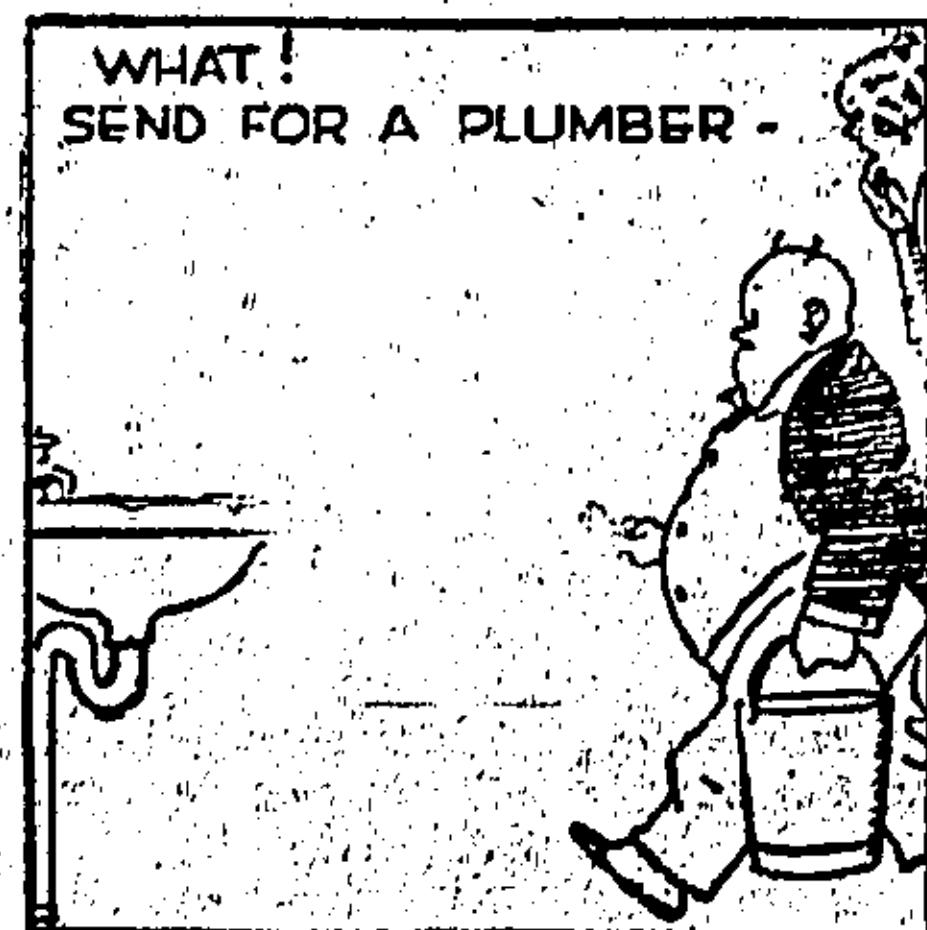
ENGLISH DEBATE AT VARSITY

A debate in English for students of the middle schools and colleges of Hongkong will be held in the Great Hall of the University of Hongkong on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock.

COLONY HEALTH RETURNS

Fourteen cases of tuberculosis were notified to the Health Department on Mar. 28, in addition to eight cases of measles, four cases each of small-pox and enteric fever and one case each of diphtheria, cerebro-spinal fever and dysentery.

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Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hong Kong this 28th day of March, 1939.

(Signed) LI WAI.

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HONG KONG CLUB

NOTICE.

The Fifth Yearly Drawing of 144 Debentures (1934 issue-\$500 each) of the Hong Kong Club, payable on Saturday, the 30th September, 1939, will be held in the Club House at 10.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 30th March, 1939. Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By order,

S. R. KERR,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 20th March, 1939.

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UNION INSURANCE
SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LTD.NOTICE TO
SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on Friday, 21st APRIL, 1939, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1938, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 3rd APRIL to 21st APRIL, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, 20th March, 1939.

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THE CHINA FIRE
INSURANCE CO.,
LIMITED.NOTICE TO
SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 21st APRIL, 1939, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1938, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 3rd APRIL to 21st APRIL, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, 20th March, 1939.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

BRITISH TRADERS'
INSURANCE CO.,
LIMITED.NOTICE TO
SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 21st APRIL, 1939, at 11.25 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1938, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 3rd APRIL to 21st APRIL, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, 20th March, 1939.

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THE MACAO ELECTRIC
LIGHTING CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-eighth Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Second Floor, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 12th day of April, 1939, at 11.30 a.m.

The Register of Members will be closed from Saturday the 1st day of April to Wednesday the 12th day of April, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of The Board of Directors,

JOHNSON, STOKES &
MASTER,
Secretaries.

Hong Kong, 27th March, 1939.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of April, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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VOLUNTARY LIMITATION OF IMPORTS OF RUBBER FOOTWEAR INTO U.K. FROM EMPIRE SOURCES

Summary Of Discussions Held By General Chamber Of Commerce

OBJECTION TO LOW H.K. PRICES

In view of references in Parliament recently to negotiations with a view to voluntary limitation of imports of rubber footwear into the United Kingdom from Empire sources, the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce has issued the following summary of the discussions held locally.

During recent years the increased importations of rubber footwear into the United Kingdom from Hongkong have been viewed with concern by United Kingdom manufacturers. There have been references to the subject in public speeches and in Parliament. It should be noted that Hongkong-made shoes are imported into the United Kingdom free of duty under Imperial Preference, the use of Empire rubber and canvas qualifying them for the necessary Empire content.

With a view to discussing the possibility of voluntary limitation of output and some form of price control, Mr. S. T. Rowe, representing United Kingdom manufacturers, arrived in Hongkong early in 1939 and held discussions with the Imperial Preference Sub-Committee of the Chamber and the local rubber footwear manufacturers.

The United Kingdom manufacturers' case was that, after the introduction of the crepe sole shoe about 1924, the manufacturing industry developed considerably. Home manufacturers did not reap what they considered their right share of the benefit on account of severe Japanese competition. This was suppressed by action under tariffs, but was immediately succeeded by Hongkong competition, which was duty free under Imperial Preference and therefore could not be excluded.

HONGKONG COMPETITION

With reference to the claim that Hongkong shoes met a hitherto unsatisfied demand for a low-priced article, Mr. Rowe admitted that to some extent a market had been created, first by the Japanese shoe and subsequently by the Hongkong shoe, but he declared that the presence of so many low-priced articles on the market was detrimental to the Home manufacturers, who thereby lost many potential customers and found themselves unable to expand their business in proportion to the expansion of demand. They were compelled, also, to reduce their prices to uneconomic levels on account of the Hongkong competition.

The United Kingdom manufacturers also complain of competition in the high-priced class from Canada, and it is their desire to arrive at an agreement with both countries for a voluntary limitation of export to the United Kingdom market. The Canadian manufacturers have expressed sympathy with the proposal, provided Hongkong is also willing to co-operate. Mr. Rowe, therefore, called to Canada from Hongkong.

AGITATION INEVITABLE

If nothing is done, the United Kingdom manufacturers state that there will inevitably be agitation, both from manufacturing interests and from trade unions, for a modification of Imperial Preference. The argument against Hongkong will be "unfair competition" from workers on scales of wages lower than those which prevail in the United Kingdom.

United Kingdom manufacturers state that Hongkong exports have almost completely eliminated their footwear from other British markets, while Japanese competition has captured the foreign markets. If it is only reasonable, they urge, that they should have at least 50 per cent. of their own home market in the lines in which Hongkong competes.

Hongkong exports to the United Kingdom of summer footwear have risen from approximately 2,000,000 pairs per annum between 1934-1936 to 4,540,000 in 1937 and 5,428,000 in the first nine months of 1938. Mr. Rowe brought confidential figures showing that importations from other countries were beginning to exceed home production in sports shoes, principally on account of importations from Hongkong, which seemed to be ever on the increase.

Mr. Rowe also said that the low price to which competition had brought the Hongkong shoes was in itself an objection in the eyes of United Kingdom manufacturers, who suggested that Hongkong manufacturers could help them, and at the same time help themselves, if they would make fewer shoes at higher prices, instead of increasing output to compensate for low prices. He urged local manufacturers to form an association and fix prices from factory to consumer through all intermediate stages.

The United Kingdom manufacturers asked Hongkong manufacturers to enter into a price-maintenance agreement (with 10 per cent. increase of prices) and into a voluntary limitation scheme for a two-year period and to undertake to limit output to the United Kingdom to

4,000,000	pairs of summer footwear,
500,000	" " plimsolls,
250,000	" " boots

and to promise not to develop in other lines of footwear. There would be a breaking clause in the event of the position being affected by new competition coming into existence elsewhere, e.g., in another British Colony.

CONFIDENTIAL FIGURES

After various meetings with Mr. Rowe, the Imperial Preference Sub-Committee of the Chamber presented a report, which was adopted by the General Committee.

The Committee discussed the bearing of the confidential figures provided by Mr. Rowe and showed that from 1934 to 1937 United Kingdom manufacturers had in fact had more than 50 per cent. of the Home consumption. It was only in 1938 that, for the first nine months, the total showed the United Kingdom manufacturers' production to be below 50 per cent. of the total, and this might not be the case on the whole year's figures. Total United Kingdom output of rubber footwear was well maintained and even in the class in which Hongkong competed there was a reasonable maintenance of output.

The inference was that Home manufacturers tended to overlook the effects of Hongkong competition. The Imperial Preference Sub-Committee's view was that Japan created a market (to which Hongkong succeeded) for a cheap shoe attracting a class of consumer which did not previously exist, and for whom the Home manufacturers were unable, on account of higher labour costs, to enter. Their most serious competitors appeared to be the Canadian manufacturers operating in the higher priced class.

The Sub-committee was unable to recommend acceptance of the proposal that Hongkong manufacturers should limit their output to four million pairs of summer footwear which would put them back to the position attained two years ago. In the first place no machinery existed for preventing the establishment of new factories, which was likely to occur if higher prices made the business more attractive. In the second place, attention was drawn to the fact that one of the local factories was occupied almost exclusively with the manufacture of shoes which were retailed in England at 6d. per shoe or 1/- a pair, the output of the factory during the past season being approximately 2 million pairs.

BENEFIT TO INDUSTRY

The majority of the Sub-committee was of opinion that the industry would benefit, both here and in the United Kingdom, if local rubber shoe manufacturers would enter into and adhere to a price-maintenance agreement; also that, to forestall agitation adverse to Hongkong's interests under Imperial Preference, it would be advisable for the manufacturers to agree to a voluntary limitation of output. The figure of 4,000,000 pairs of summer footwear suggested by United Kingdom manufacturers appeared impracticable in all the circumstances, but the Sub-committee suggested that a figure lower than 1938 production be considered.

The Sub-committee recommended that the Chamber of Commerce invite the rubber shoe manufacturers to do their utmost to reach an agreement on the lines above indicated.

In the course of further discussions, Mr. Rowe amended his proposal as to limitation of output in one particular. In view of what he had learned as to the factory manufacturing exclusively shoes sold retail in the United Kingdom at 6d. per shoe, he increased the figure of four million, suggested as the limit for summer footwear, to five million, the other points to remain the same. He added that the proposed limitation was strictly conditional upon price control.

LIMITATION SCHEME

At further meetings it was submitted on behalf of Hongkong interests that, without Government co-operation, any limitation scheme which might be agreed upon would be in danger of breaking down. It was suggested that it might be possible to institute a system of special certificates similar to those under which exports of Colonial sugar to the United Kingdom were controlled, the certificates to be issued by the Hongkong Government and their production to the United Kingdom Customs to be a condition of admission of the goods under Imperial Preference. If new factories had no right to participate in the manufacture for markets other than the United Kingdom, it was submitted that this would meet the present manufacturers' apprehensions in regard to pos-

sible competition from new factories in Hongkong.

In view of the limited time they had to study Mr. Rowe's submissions, the Hongkong manufacturers only found it possible to give Mr. Rowe an interim reply.

CERTAIN OBSTACLES

The interim reply stated that the local manufacturers regarded Mr. Rowe's proposals sympathetically and were desirous of co-operating with United Kingdom manufacturers in a system of limitation of output and price control, subject to certain obstacles being overcome. These were:

- (1) The need for protection, under limited output, from the operation in Hongkong of new factories;
- (2) The need for protection against factories at present established, or which may be set up hereafter elsewhere in the British Empire;
- (3) The need for an assurance that the share of the United Kingdom market allotted to Hongkong under limitation of output is not encroached upon by United Kingdom suppliers. With such an assurance there should be an undertaking to desist from propaganda against Hongkong industry.

As to protection from new competition locally and from other parts of the Empire, the manufacturers remarked that action by the Hongkong Government and by other Governments appeared to be necessary, and until there were assurances of effective action they could not commit themselves unreservedly.

PERCENTAGE BASIS

The Hongkong manufacturers sympathised with the desire of the United Kingdom manufacturers to have a major portion of their own market; they thought that the Hongkong share should be calculated on a percentage basis, and they suggested a sacrifice of a percentage of Hongkong exports in 1938 which brought them to a total of 5,600,000 pairs of summer footwear—a figure very near Mr. Rowe's last offer. The question of limitation of output of plimsolls and boots was postponed. The Hongkong manufacturers also said they could not undertake to subscribe to limitation in the three lines under discussion being extended to cover the production of undressed goods in other branches of rubber manufacture.

Mr. Rowe expressed himself as reasonably well satisfied with the Hongkong manufacturers' reply as a document with which he could bargain with the Canadian manufacturers.

EMBRYO STAGE

In issuing a summary of these discussions to the trade, the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce stated:

It would be seen from the foregoing narrative that trading interests had at the time nothing tangible to take into consideration as affecting their business operations. The scheme was still in the embryo stage and was so hedged with difficulty that it might never come into effect. It might be that, as a result of the discussions, the manufacturers would adopt a price control scheme, with limitation of output as a corollary, thus arriving in some degree at the result which the United Kingdom manufacturers desired to achieve.

The General Committee of the Chamber communicated to the Hongkong Government an account of the discussions which had taken place and requested that inquiries be made as to what could be done by Government authority here and elsewhere to protect the participants in a voluntary agreement to limit production from the effects

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ROYAL VISIT TO CANADA: ITINERARY PROBLEMS

OTTAWA. — Canada's parliament may have the unprecedented experience next May of being prorogued by the Sovereign. Prime Minister Mackenzie King has confirmed rumours that, if the work of the session is concluded by the time their Majesties reach Ottawa, the King will be asked to prorogue parliament.

Scarcely a day has passed since parliament opened that some member has not made enthusiastic reference to the forthcoming royal tour. But it remained for the prime minister to give the intimate and interesting details. No attempt will be made to hurry the members in their prime task of conducting efficiently the business of the country.

Their Majesties will arrive in Quebec May 15 and remain in that ancient capital of Canada overnight. The King will deliver a speech at Quebec which will be broadcast nationally and probably over an Empire network.

At Ottawa, where the King will celebrate Canada's advanced observance of his birthday May 20, he will unveil the national war memorial and deliver an address.

upon such an agreement of new competition arising locally, and elsewhere in the Empire; also as to the possibility of the United Kingdom Customs authorities collaborating by agreeing to accept, free of duty, only that number of shoes annually, provided for in the limitation scheme.

The Queen will lay the cornerstone of the new building for the supreme court of Canada, and probably deliver a brief address.

KING'S SPEECHES

There will be speeches by the King at Winnipeg on Victoria Day (May 24), at Vancouver or Victoria (May 29) and at Halifax on the eve of his departure from Canada, June 15. All will be broadcast.

Because their Majesties' travels will cover more than 12,000 miles of almost constant movement the greatest care has been taken to make the tour as comfortable as possible. For this reason, the royal train will ride track for six hours each night.

This arrangement shortens the list of stops and as a result there were many protests from districts considering themselves slighted in the official itinerary.

Formal functions will be kept to a minimum and it is probable that, so far as federal and provincial administrations are concerned, the reception will be kept "dignified and simple," as urged by James B. Woodsworth, leader of the socialistic Co-operative Commonwealth Federation in the House of Commons.

Compulsory National Service

PREMIER'S HINT

Thousands of people all over Germany heard with anxiety on Mar. 18, the grave warning uttered by Mr. Neville Chamberlain at Birmingham. The B.B.C. broadcast full report of the speech in German.

These Germans heard that the Prime Minister had spoken of "hopes wantonly shattered" by Hitler's seizure of Czechoslovakia, and had asked "Can we ever again believe any assurance by Hitler?"

RESOLUTE REPLY

They heard of the question: "Is this a step towards an attempt to dominate the world?" and of Mr. Chamberlain's resolute reply:—

"While I am not prepared to engage this country in commitments which would operate in unforeseen conditions, no greater mistake could be made than to suppose that this nation would not take part to the utmost of its power in resisting a challenge to its own liberties."

"I have not only the support of my own fellow-countrymen, but of those who live in any part of the British Empire, and of many people in other nations who value freedom even more."

FIGHTING CONTINUES IN NANCHANG

Every Street A Trench—Every House A Fort

CHUNGKING, MAR. 29 (REUTERS)—STREET FIGHTING IS STILL GOING ON IN NANCHANG AFTER THE JAPANESE VANGUARDS HAD ENTERED THE CITY ON MONDAY EVENING.

"Every street a trench and every house a fort," is a description of the present state of affairs in Kiangsi's capital. Chinese units are fighting a rearguard action and are resisting Japanese occupation.

Meanwhile, the Japanese westward advance along the Hunan highway is being held up to the east of Wuning, according to Chinese reports, which emphasize that "the Chinese units holding out in Kuling will always be a threat to the fear of the Japanese in Kiangsi."

JAPANESE REPORT

SHANGHAI, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—A Japanese despatch states that Wuning, between Nanchang and Hankow, about 70 miles inland from Nanchang, was captured early this morning by Japanese forces after having been surrounded last night. Mopping up operations are stated to be proceeding within the town.

HOSTILITIES CONTINUE

SIJUSHUI, KIANGSI, Mar. 29 (Central)—Hostilities of a violent nature continue to rage on a wide front between the Kan and Su Rivers, in the outskirts of Nanchang.

Battling against great odds in air force and mechanized units, the Chinese forces are contesting every inch of ground, and seeking to exact a heavy price from the invaders.

After crossing the Kan River at Mishiengkai, south of Nanchang, a Japanese infantry unit, preceded by six tanks, is intending to cut the Chinese rear at Lientang, approximately seven miles south of Nanchang. Chinese troops rushed up are engaging in bitter fighting.

In the Su River valley Chinese resistance has been effective. In a counter-drive on Anyi, about 20 miles north-

west of Nanchang, the Chinese have regained a number of vantage points. These include Chowchiasan, Tiger Hill, Phoenix Hill, Chenkiashan. The Japanese are said to be retreating to Anyi city.

JAPANESE CHECKED

The Japanese column driving south from Fenghsin, about 23 miles west of Nanchang, is held in check by the Chinese at Tacheng, a point south of Fenghsin, while the Japanese on the Fenghsin-Wankiafu highway have been dispersed, losing between 400 and 500 men killed and wounded.

In the Wuning sector, north-west of Nanchang, the Japanese have also failed to gain any quarters in the face of extremely stubborn resistance. On the contrary, the Chinese have succeeded in wresting back many strategic points, including Huangpukang, Tanaotsien, Huikiasan, Wanjenao, Chinchishan and Fenghuangtsien. A liberal use of poison gas by the Japanese in this sector is alleged.

Tungkow and Loping, two important points on the south bank of the Su River, are understood to have also been recaptured by the Chinese. The Japanese there have been withdrawn to the north bank and the Chinese are ready to cross the stream to pursue them.

It is learned that heavy Japanese reinforcements have now been dispatched to the Wuning sector to make a fresh attempt to dislodge the Chinese defenders. Intense fighting is imminent.

COLONY SWIMMER MARRIED



MR. P. N. BARTEN AND HIS BRIDE, formerly Miss Doris May Hunt, Colony swimming champion, after their marriage at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday. (Photo A. A. Kahn).

ACTION AGAINST AGGRESSION

Confidential Consultations Continuing

LONDON, MAR. 29 (REUTERS)—IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY, REPLYING TO MR. ARTHUR GREENWOOD (LAB.), Mr. Neville Chamberlain stated: "The Government is actively continuing consultations with the other governments on the issues arising from recent events."

"During the progress of these consultations, the House will appreciate that it is essential that their confidential character should be respected."

"The House will not expect me to make a statement which cannot be complete until we are in possession of the final view of the other governments concerned."

Mr. Greenwood asked the Premier whether, in order to remove apprehensions, he would go a little further and say whether the declaration which had been submitted to certain Powers was one for consultation or whether it involved military commitments?

A GREAT DEAL FURTHER Mr. Chamberlain: "It will be understood from what I previously said that what the Government had in mind goes a great deal further than consultations. I don't think I should like to go any further into details at the moment." In reply to further questions, Mr. Chamberlain said that the Government had made it perfectly clear to the other governments what Britain was prepared to do. There would be a discussion at the earliest possible moment in the House.

Mr. Chamberlain added: The Government fully realize the urgency of this matter and the desirability of coming to a conclusion at the earliest possible moment, but there is more than one government involved and a decision is not solely a decision of His Majesty's Government.

PRESENCE DESIRABLE IN LONDON

MELBOURNE, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—Mr. J. A. Lyons, Prime Minister of Australia, announced that the Government had decided that Mr. S. M. Bruce, the Australian High Commissioner should return to London immediately. He is sailing from Sydney on Friday.

It was stated that the presence of Mr. Bruce in London during the present political tension is desirable.

TWO EXPLOSIONS AT HAMMERSMITH BRIDGE

LONDON, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—Two terrific explosions occurred at Hammersmith Bridge shortly after 1 a.m. today.

The police said that they have found evidence to show that the explosions were the result of time bombs. Fortunately nobody was hurt and the damage was comparatively small.

The police are considering the possibility of the explosions being the work of I.R.A. sympathisers, intended as a gesture following the sentences imposed at the Old Bailey.

Two men have been detained by the police for questioning. Police searched two houses in Hounslow Barnes. A car which was crossing the bridge just after the explosions was damaged by a fallen girder which ripped off part of the side of the vehicle but the man driver and a woman passenger were not injured.

SIXTH M.P. TO DIE WITHIN 12 DAYS

LONDON, Mar. 29 (BWS)—The sixth M.P. to die in twelve days will add the eighth to the by-elections now pending.

Sir George Harvey, Conservative Member for South-east, Kennington—South London Constituency—who died last night, aged 70, had a majority of 545 at the last election over his Labour opponent.

CRIMINAL OFFENCE

HEAVY SENTENCES AT OLD BAILEY

LONDON, MARCH 29 (REUTERS)—SENTENCES RANGING FROM SEVEN TO 17 YEARS' PENAL SERVITUDE were imposed at the Old Bailey yesterday by Mr. Justice Humphreys in the case in which eight men were tried on charges of trying to cause explosions and arson. His Lordship remarking that the accused had committed on a criminal offence.

In the course of his remarks, Mr. Justice Humphreys said: "When a person ceases to employ constitutional methods of altering the position of a part of the British Dominion and employs methods of terrorism and incendiarism, causing explosions and rendering the life of respectable and law-abiding citizens impossible, then it is that the Crown invites those who are responsible for administering the law to act firmly in doing what they can to suppress such illegal and dangerous acts."

"These men regard themselves as patriots. Let them be patriots. Let every Irishman who thinks there ought to be an Irish Republic be patriots. They are perfectly entitled to be. But these men are charged with committing a criminal offence."

The eight accused were all found guilty and sentenced to seventeen, fifteen, fourteen, twelve, ten, ten and seven years' penal servitude respectively, while the eighth accused was sentenced to eighteen months' hard labour.

PACIFIC CONFERENCE

Composition Of U.K. Delegation

LONDON, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—In the House of Commons yesterday, replying to a question regarding the Pacific Conference, the Prime Minister said that the Government was satisfied that the composition of the United Kingdom delegation was suitable for the question to be discussed.

Lieut. Com. R. T. Fletcher (Lab.) asked if the Prime Minister did not consider that the events which had transpired since the conference was summoned rendered it of far greater importance than was originally contemplated and whether, from that point of view, he would consider the strengthening of the representation so as to make it one of first rate importance?

The Prime Minister: "The matter has been carefully considered and we are satisfied that we have the right composition."

BERLIN - ROME PLAUDITS FOR GEN. FRANCO

BERLIN, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—Herr Hitler telegraphed to Gen. Franco's his heartiest congratulations on "the final defeat of a nation and the destroying of Bolshevism."

A message from Rome states that Signor Mussolini appeared on the balcony of the Palazzo Venezia and addressed a crowd of 10,000.

He said: "Gen. Franco's infantry and the Italian Legionaries have entered Madrid and the Spanish War can thus be considered finished. It finished with the collapse of Bolshevism and so will the enemies of Italy and Fascism."

AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:

NORTHBOUND
Thursday:—Bangkok, Hanoi, Hongkong, Delphinus—(About noon—no mail).

SOUTHBOUND
Friday:—Hanoi, Bangkok, Donado—7.30 a.m.
Air France:

NORTHBOUND
Thursday:—France, Hanoi, Hongkong. Service—12.30 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND
Saturday:—Hanoi, France. Service—8.30 a.m.

Pan American Airways:
EASTBOUND
Wednesday:—U.S.A., Manila, Hongkong, China, Clipper—noon.

WESTBOUND
Thursday:—Manila, U.S.A. China, Clipper—8.30 a.m.

Note:—All services carry mail and passengers, but the Imperial Airways' Delphinus, which arrives to-day with passengers only.

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WEEKLY CABINET MEETING

LONDON, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—The British Cabinet held its usual weekly meeting this morning at which, it is understood, the general political situation was discussed. It is stated that the Cabinet also reviewed defence problems.

SOLDIER FINED

Pte. F. Tully, of the 2nd Bn. Royal Scots, appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday, charged with assaulting a police constable, D203, Chi Shu-hsin, and a taxi driver, Pang Yu, at Stubby Road on March 20.

Defendant was fined 50 or six weeks' hard labour.

Mr. Houston remarked that many similar cases had occurred recently and the soldiers were taking the law into their own hands.

MOLLISON FINED

A sentence of five days' imprisonment together with a fine of 500 francs was passed by the French Court in Montreuil Sur Mer on the British airman, Jim Mollison. The jury found him guilty of having disobeyed the orders of the Director of Le Touquet airport by mounting his plane when under alleged influence of alcohol and, while in this State, performing for nearly one hour acrobatic flights over the well-known French seaside resort of Le Touquet. (Transworld.)

CORRECTION

Through an error, it was reported in Monday's paper that the number of tickets sold for a win on the horse African Diamond in the fifth race (The Hobart Plate) at Fanning on Sunday was 1,821. This should have read 182.

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ALTERNATE AIR ROUTE FROM AUSTRALIA

MELBOURNE, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—A survey flight from Australia to East Africa is to be made in June to study the possibility of an alternate route to the Australia-Singapore-India route.

Anglo-French Military Alliance

ASSISTANCE FOR RUMANIA AND POLAND

LONDON, Mar. 29 (T/Ocean)—Much prominence is given in the "Daily Mail" to-day to a report asserting hurried negotiations for an Anglo-French military alliance.

The paper believes that the visit of the Chief of the General Staff, Lord Gort, is prompted by the desire for an earliest signing of an alliance which allegedly foresees, not only military assistance for Poland and Rumania, if they are attacked, but also includes the protection of Switzerland and the Netherlands.

The "Daily Mail" adds that the United States are being kept informed on the progress of the negotiations and that, for the time being, it is not intended to include Soviet Russia in the alliance. The paper declares that at present the situation is unsatisfactory, both from the diplomatic and national defence point of view.

The "Daily Telegraph," commenting on the present international situation, makes the interesting statement that secrecy must be maintained concerning the diplomatic activities of England and France on the Balkan and in Poland, and that the British public must not count on being informed of possible agreements.

On the other hand, the "Daily Express" strongly criticises all attempts to keep political agreements secret, emphasizing that if the British democratic nation is placed under the obligation to fight abroad, it has every right to be told about it.

TOTALITARIAN OR DEMOCRAT

Japan Belongs To Neither Camp

TOKYO, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—The Japanese Prime Minister, Baron Hiranuma, declared to-day that Japan was not antagonistic to towards democrats or totalitarians and that she belonged to neither camp.

However, Japan may strengthen the Anti-Comintern Pact though he did not declare how Japan would do so.

The Prime Minister added that Japan's relation with Britain, France and the United States require readjustment.

NEUTRALITY LAW IN AMERICA

Appeal By Chinese Colleges

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29 (Reuters)—There was a new move to-day in the controversy regarding neutrality legislation.

On the eve of to-morrow's meeting of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, Senators Nye, Bone and Champ Clark introduced an amendment seeking to extend cash and carry principle to all goods in war time and not merely to instruments of war and also permitting the Congress to determine when a state of war exists.

Meanwhile, the Presidents of seventeen Chinese colleges have appealed to the Congress to distinguish between aggressor and victim and not to enact the cash carry provisions which, they say, would assist Japan.

The administration, however, recognizes that help for China at present goes almost entirely through Burma and Russia and hence the opinion is expressed that China would not be crippled by the cash carry principle. Furthermore, it is believed that however the neutrality law is amended, President Roosevelt will not apply the new statute to the Far East any more than he did the old.

STAPLES SURPRISES

DELICIOUS BOILED CHICKEN

Here are simple directions for preparing a very fine dish and the chef who had cooked it said:

The chicken must be a young bird and not an old one. It is best to use stock made with knuckle of veal if possible, but otherwise one can be made with the chicken's giblets, though this will not be so good. The only permissible garnish, he said, were the little tinned mushrooms, button onions belonging entirely to the fricassee, where they kept the mushrooms company. It is important to choose a stewpan just large enough to hold the chicken, so that it is covered with the cooking liquor all the time.

The Bird

These are the details he gave. The chicken weighed, after it had been plucked and cleaned, just over two pounds. After trussing for boiling, the breast was covered with a piece of fat bacon of three to four ounces. The stock, of which he used about a quart or rather more, had been prepared in advance in the usual manner, taking about four hours' boiling. He now spread over the stewpan a "walnut" of lard (butter can be used if preferred), and added a few scraps of bacon, four ounces of carrot cut in very thin and equal rings, three ounces of onion cut in quarters about half an ounce each of celery stalk and parsley. The lid was then put on, and the pan was put on a very low heat so that the vegetables stewed without colouring. (The expressive French cookery term is "suer," to sweat; which exactly describes what the process should be.) This gentle sweating should continue for about half an hour, a spoonful or two of water being added if the vegetables show signs of drying up.

When the vegetables are soft, add just enough water to cover them, and put in the chicken, breast upwards; cover it with the warmed stock so that there is about a quarter of an inch of liquid over the breast. Bring gradually to the boil, and when it boils remove what little scum there is. Now add the peelings of half a pound of small

mushrooms (which you will use for the garnish), one clove, and salt to taste; add also a gill and a half of white wine. Cover the stewpan, leaving a tiny opening for the steam to escape, and as soon as it boils again draw it to the side of the stove, or put it on the gentlest possible heat, so that it just simmers. In fifty minutes to an hour you: chicken should be cooked—which you can easily ascertain by pricking the thigh skewer. The juice exuding should be white when the bird is done. Then strain the cooking liquor into a basin, leaving the chicken in the pan to keep warm while the sauce is being made.

The Sauce

As you will have about a pint of this you will want a proportionately-sized saucepan. Make a white "roux" in it, with an ounce and a half of butter and about an ounce of flour, and moisten this with three-quarters of a pint of the cooking liquor from the bird. Stir until it boils, then draw the pan to the side of the stove, and let the sauce cook for twenty minutes, adding now and then the cold cooking liquor from the mushrooms, three or four tablespoonfuls altogether. Now thicken the sauce with three egg-yolks and six dessertspoonfuls of cream. Boil for two minutes, draw off the fire again, and scatter over the sauce a few bits of butter, not more than half an ounce in all. Cover and keep in a pan of hot water, seeing that it does not boil. If it is too thick dilute it with a little more of the cooking liquor.

Now drain the bird, untie it, and dish it. Surround it with little heaps of the mushrooms, which you have cooked separately, finish the sauce with another half-ounce of butter in little pieces, mask the chicken and the mushrooms with this, using a spoon to do so, and bring the fine-boiled chicken to the table with the remainder of the sauce in a sauce-boat. If you like, the chicken may, of course, be cut up in the kitchen before serving, but if it is nicely masked with the sauce it looks better whole.

STARRED RECIPES

Ham baked in Milk. Get a thick slice of ham, at least 4-inch thick. Soak in cold water for three or four hours to remove excess saltiness in flavour, dry well, and place in a fireproof dish with enough cold milk to cover. Bake until the ham is tender. Place on a hot dish, then thicken the milk with a little flour or cornflour, boil up, stirring all the time, and season with pepper, a little mustard, and salt if necessary. To the thickened sauce add sufficient cold boiled potatoes to make a nice border round the dish. Heat them, and then arrange on the dish, pouring the remainder of the sauce over, and sprinkling with chopped parsley. Serve very hot.

Baked Stuffed Onions. Parboil six large Bombay onions in salted water, having previously removed the outer skin. Drain, and take out the centre carefully. Fill the cavities with a stuffing made of one small cupful minced meat (sausage meat is very good, or any left-over may be utilised), a tablespoonful breadcrumbs, seasonings of salt, pepper, and chopped parsley, mixed with a well-beaten egg. Put the stuffed onions into a buttered casserole dish, cover, and allow to cook in a slow oven until quite tender. Meanwhile, prepare a good white sauce, add the onion centres chopped very fine, and a trace of minced parsley, season to taste, and pour round the onions before sending to table.

Semolina Pudding. 1 pint milk, 2 eggs, 2 tablespoonfuls fine semolina, 2 level tablespoonfuls granulated sugar, finely-grated rind of a lime. Boil the milk with the rind of lime (or other flavouring, if preferred), and when bubbling sprinkle in the semolina slowly, stirring all the time, and cook while stirring for ten minutes. Remove pan from fire, take out the rind, and allow to cool a little, then stir in the sugar, and the yolks of eggs. Whisk the whites of eggs to a stiff froth, add them to the mixture, and pour into a buttered pie dish. Bake for twenty minutes.

Peach Melba. Vanilla ice-cream forms the foundation of Peach Melba. Place in Melba or Champagne glasses, and lay half a firm peach over, curved side uppermost. The fruit must be well chilled before use. Coat the peach with Melba Sauce, and serve at once.

For the sauce. Put 1 pint water into a saucepan, add 2 ozs. lump sugar, simmer for ten minutes, then add four tablespoonfuls of raspberry jam, a few drops of lime juice, and cochineal to give a good colour. Mix a teaspoonful powdered arrowroot with a little cold water, add to the rest of the ingredients, and bring to the boil and simmer, stirring, for a few minutes. Strain, cool, and then place in the refrigerator until quite cold, when it will have thickened.

Chicken à la King. 2 cupfuls diced chicken (not too small), small tin button mushrooms, yolks of 2 eggs, tablespoonful butter, thin strips of green chilly, quarter pint cream, half pint chicken broth (the liquor in which the chicken was boiled previous day), 3 tablespoonfuls flour, paprika, salt, and a few drops lime juice. Mix broth and cream together, melt the butter stir in the flour, add the cream and broth, stir until smooth, then heat slowly, stirring until it boils. Add mushrooms, cut into halves, add the seasoning and the diced chicken. Last of all heat in the yolks of eggs and serve piled up on a hot dish, garnished with triangles of toast and sprigs of parsley.

(Useful as a "left-over" dish.) **Fish Pie.** Boil the fish and remove skin and bones while hot. Leave to get cold, then flake finely with a fork. Prepare sufficient white sauce for the seasoning of white pepper, salt, and thin strips of green chilly. Butter a pie-dish, and line it with mashed potatoes well seasoned with salt and pepper, bringing the potato well up the sides of the dish. Fill the centre with the fish mixture, and bake in a quick oven until nicely browned. Serve with a garnish of quartered hard-boiled eggs.

Veal Cutlets. Have the veal cut from the fillet, 4 inch thick. Beat well with a rolling pin, and cut into neat shapes. Use trimmings for gravystock. Mix a tablespoonful flour with salt, pepper, some dried thyme and a little minced parsley. Rub lime juice into the fillets on both sides, rub in the seasoned flour, dip each in beaten egg and roll in fine breadcrumbs. Fry slowly in good dripping after first "sealing" the meat by frying over quick heat. Keep the pan covered during cooking, using a saucepan lid which fits well over the frying pan. Thicken the gravy in the usual way, and flavour strongly with lime.

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Finance and Commerce

INCREASED TURNOVER DESPITE COMPETITION

H.K. Rope Manufacturing Company's Meeting

"The turnover of rope for last year showed a marked increase over that for 1937 and this is reflected in the accounts now before you, which, I think, may be considered satisfactory, in view of the keen competition, with which we have had to contend throughout the year," said the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, who presided at the fifty-fifth ordinary yearly meeting of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., held at the office of Shewan Tomes and Co. yesterday.

There were present: Hon. Mr. Shields (Chairman), Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. S. T. Williamson (Directors), Messrs. F. J. Tayares (Secretary), S. C. Lau, H. Dreyer, Kam Wah-kui, J. Dick, A. A. Botelho, K. P. Bailey and I. W. Shewan (Shareholders).

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH
The Chairman said: You will observe from the Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938, which have been before you for the prescribed period; that after providing for Depreciation and allowing for Directors' and Auditors' Fees and Commission to General Managers, there remains a net profit of \$87,185.16 for the year under review. This amount, added to the balance of \$51,275.54 brought forward from 1937, makes a total of credit of Profit and Loss Account of \$138,460.70 available for appropriation, which your Board recommend be dealt with as follows:

Pay a dividend of 40 cents per share, absorbing \$ 80,000.00
Pay a bonus to staff, \$ 3,945.00
And carry forward to 1939 Account \$ 54,515.70
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BETTER PROFIT

The profit on working account is \$45,597.64 better than the previous year and the income from rents collected is \$83,967.70 as compared with \$48,772.85 in 1937—an increase of \$15,194.85. This is due to the Kennedy Town houses having been fully occupied since the month of June, 1938, and provided the tenants remain in occupation, the full benefit of the additional rent obtained therefrom will be gained in the accounts for the current year.

The Factory Buildings at Matukok continue in occupation, and we have recently concluded negotiations for an extension of the present lease for a further term of three years.

PROFIT AND LOSS

You will have noticed in the Profit and Loss Account a return to the authorised amount in Directors' Fees and an increase in Commission to General Managers which is still below that provided by the Company's Articles. In this connection I wish to remind you that in 1935, owing to then prevailing conditions, your Directors and General Managers voluntarily agreed to reduce their remuneration by 50 per cent. and on reference to subsequent accounts it would be seen that no change, had since been made in respect thereto.

These savings together with other economies which your Board effected, have contributed very largely to bring the Company to its position to-day and in view of the increased earnings last year over those of 1937, your Board decided to charge the authorised amount in respect of Directors' Fees and with regard to the General Managers' Commission, this has been increased to three-fourths of the minimum authorised by the Articles of Association.

BONUS FOR STAFF

The staff have also co-operated and worked hard to attain the result now placed before you and I hope that you will approve the bonus recommended by your Board.

When I addressed you this time last year I mentioned that some of our machines would need replacing. You will see in the Balance Sheet that we have expended the sum of \$49,811.88 on additions to Plant and Machinery. The new machines are now being installed and will soon be in operation.

The usual provisions have been made for Depreciation on Buildings, etc., and on Plant and Machinery your Board decided to provide an additional \$30,000.00 depreciation. The Stocks and Stores have been valued at cost or under.

CURRENT PROSPECTS

Now as regards the prospects for the current year, conditions out here in the East as well as those in Europe do not permit me to say more than that we have made a good start in spite of the strong competition and I hope that we shall continue to hold our own during the present year.

I do not think that there are any other items in the accounts that need special comment, and I will therefore propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed, and that the amount of \$138,460.70 at credit of Profit and Loss Account be appropriated as above."

Mr. J. P. Braga seconded and the motion was approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

Proposed by Mr. S. C. Lau and seconded by Mr. W. Dreyer, Mr. Braga and Mr. Williamson, were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-appointed Auditors for the ensuing year.

U.S. COTTON EXPORT SUBSIDY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29 (Reuter).—The resolution recently introduced by Senator Walter George for subsidizing a cotton export subsidy, was given the right of way in the U.S. Senate yesterday, but an immediate vote was deferred pending the developments in the House on the controversial parity payment appropriation and the announcement of Mr. Wallace's plan to encourage cotton exports which are expected to be dealt with this week.

Rubber Statistics (1939)

PRODUCTION					
	Malaya	World		Malaya	World
January	40,024	77,398	July	27,892	77,393
February	32,459	82,568	August	26,754	75,479
March	35,972	83,528	September	25,831	71,057
April	27,513	89,897	October	28,068	74,556
May	29,481	85,262	November	24,238	69,120
June	37,793	86,925	December	25,240	65,722
Total	203,242	465,578	Total	361,283	899,905

STOCK				
	Malaya	U.S.A.	Uni. K'dom	World
January	89,465	269,078	61,914	385,274
February	85,431	288,883	71,333	411,528
March	99,287	299,137	76,453	432,136
April	78,433	301,438	82,573	429,465
May	79,827	298,720	87,056	431,339
June	86,717	294,492	92,144	435,277
July	91,752	284,914	95,081	430,938
August	84,585	277,463	99,428	423,284
September	83,672	276,631	97,966	414,477
October	83,312	269,937	93,092	402,887
November	80,110	254,318	89,910	373,751
December	78,747	246,413	86,680	361,847

—Stocks at U.S.A., United Kingdom, Singapore, and Penang.

CONSUMPTION							
	U.S.A.	United Kingdom	World		U.S.A.	United Kingdom	World
January	29,429	11,155	65,500	July	32,209	9,712	71,200
February	23,888	6,957	57,200	August	38,170	8,493	75,600
March	30,487	10,737	69,100	Sept.	37,823	9,425	78,900
April	27,984	8,508	77,400	October	34,333	7,747	81,300
May	28,947	9,953	82,300	Nov.	46,048	4,103	84,100
June	30,529	8,980	79,000	Dec.	45,315	7,324	89,700
Total	171,344	56,290	430,500	Total	411,242	105,094	911,300

(1938)			
	Basic Quotas	45 %	70 %
Malaya	602,000	270,900	421,400
Dutch E. Indies	540,000	243,000	378,000
Ceylon	82,500	37,125	57,750
India	13,000	5,850	9,100
Burma	9,250	4,163	6,475
N. Borneo	16,500	7,425	11,550
Sarawak	32,000	14,400	22,400
Siam	40,000	18,000	28,000
Total	1,335,250	600,843	901,150

CHINA'S TRADE WITH BRITAIN

Ambassador's Desire To "Seize" Sheffield

The Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, spoke on the vital need for open trading relations when he addressed the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce on Mar. 15. Referring to his visit to the armament industries of Sheffield, he said that in these days of China's great need he had a feeling of material envy and a desire to seize the city lock, stock, and barrel, and ship it off to serve his country's needs, but short of an act of aggression more ambitious than any predatory Power had yet attempted, he did not see how he could pull it off.

The Ambassador spoke of the century and a half's trading relations between England and China, and said that on the whole those relations had been friendly and helpful and he could see no signs that they would fail to become increasingly so.

In addition, Mr. Stanley also announced that a grant not exceeding half a million sterling annually for five years would be available to encourage the building of tramps and cargo liners.

AID FOR TRAMP SHIPPING

Encouragement To Ship Owners

LONDON, Mar. 29 (Reuter).—Announcing in the House of Commons yesterday the annual subsidy of two and three-quarter million sterling for tramp shipping, Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, said that the Government also proposed to ask Parliament for £10,000,000 for loans to ship owners over a period of two years for the purpose of building tramps and cargo liners.

As a further exceptional measure to increase tonnage, the Government would ask Parliament for £2,000,000 to purchase suitable vessels on the United Kingdom Register, which although still a capable service, would be otherwise sold abroad or broken up.

The latter vessels would only be brought on in an emergency, but would be maintained in com-

ELECTRICITY FOR ENTIRE PROVINCE OF YUNNAN

KUNMING, Mar. 29 (Central).—A two-year plan for the expansion of the Yao Lung Power Plant operated by hydraulic power has been formulated. When the plan has been successfully carried out, the plant will be able to supply electricity for the entire Yunnan province which is now rapidly becoming one of China's industrial centres. The plant, with a capital of \$6,000,000, which was established with technical help from German engineers in 1910, has lit Kunming city and supplied power for its nearby factories for about 30 years. It will now be expanded to meet the demand of the gigantic industrialisation programme in the province.

GERMAN GENERATORS

The present equipment of the plant consists of five German-made generators. Two of them are capable of generating 900 horse power and the smallest 450 horse power. Together they are generating 3,370 horse power. New generators are on their way from abroad to enlarge the plant and to replace the older ones.

Of China's more than 40,000,000 horse power of potential water power, the southwestern provinces has an estimated minimum of 19,250,000 and maximum of 25,750,000 horse power, of which

Yunnan Province claims 2,200,000 to 3,000,000, only next to Szechwan's 15,500,000 to 20,700,000 horse power. Of Yunnan's two to three million horse power, the Putu River, which flows into the Golden Sand River, passing through Kunming's suburbs, claims about two thirds. It is for the purpose of harnessing this enormous amount of power for the industrialization of Yunnan Province that the expansion of the Yao Lung Power Plant is now being pushed.



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Bank Bills, on demand 68 13/16	
Credits 60 days' sight 68 5/16	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 64 3/16	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 1087	
Credits 4 months' sight 1127	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 108 5/8	
On Manila:—	
On demand 57 7/8	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 150 3/4	
Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate 1/2 31/32	
Bar Silver per oz. 19 15/16	

Market Report

From Roma Bros.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 19 15/16 for Ready and 19 5/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being quietly steady but idle. American Silver was quoted at 42 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 488.25. New York-London was quoted at 488 1/4.

Market

Inclined to ease.

Sterling

Business was done at 1/2 7/8 for May followed later by transactions at the same rate for April. The market closed with sellers at 1/2 7/8 March-April and 1/2 21/32 May-June, buyers at 1/2 29/32 for cash and 1/2 7/8 May-June.

U.S. Dollars

The market closed with sellers at 29 March, probably April, 23 15/16 May and 23 7/8 June, buyers at 29 1/16 for cash, 29 May and 23 15/16 for June. Business was done at 28 7/8 for June delivery.

Shanghai Dollars

Sellers at 180 1/4.

Shanghai Market

Sellers of Sterling at 8 1/4 for Spot and U.S. Dollars sellers at 16 3/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar. 29 (Reuters).

	Opening	Closing
London	0/8	0/8
New York	15-5/8	15-5/8
Japan	56-7/8	56-7/8
Paris	5-48	5-48
Hongkong	53-3/5	53-3/5

Open Market—Selling Rates

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/8-1/4	0/8-1/4
March	0/8-1/4	0/8-1/4
April	0/8-1/4	0/8-1/4
May	0/8-15/64	0/8-15/64

U.S. Dollars

	Spot	March	April	May
Spot	16-3/32	16-3/32	16-3/32	16-3/32
March	16-3/32	16-3/32	16-3/32	16-3/32
April	16-1/16	16-1/16	16-1/16	16-1/16
May	16-1/32	16-1/32	16-1/32	16-1/32

Market—Inclined to be easy.

Merchant Rates

Sterling, 0/8-7/32.

Dollars, 16.

New York Exchange

New York, Mar. 29 (Reuters).
T.T. on London (Opening Rate).
4.68-1/4.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Mar. 28 (Reuters).
T.T. on Japan, 73-3/8.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Mar. 28 (Reuters).
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-12-0.

London Exchange

London, Mar. 29 (Reuters).
Closing mean rates were:—
Paris, 176-51/64.
New York, 4.68-9/32.
Montreal, 4.70.
Brussels, 27.85.
Geneva, 20.84.
Amsterdam, 8.82.
Berlin, 11.87.
Buenos Aires, 20.32.
Other rate unchanged.

LONDON GOLD

London, Mar. 28 (Reuters).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz. 148 1/4.
Dollar Parity, 1/2d. premium.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER
London, Mar. 28 (Reuters).
Silver—Business very small.
Market quietly steady. In the
afternoon, the market was idle.
Spot, 19-15/16d.
Forward, 19-5/8d.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Mar. 28 (Reuters).

Official Price, 42-3/4.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 28 (Reuters).

Market—Quietly steady.

Offtake 30 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Unofficial Quotations

Ready 52-05 52-07

Apr. 17 Settlement 52-04 52-06

May 13 Settlement 52-03 52-04

U.K. GOODS FOR DENMARK

LONDON, March 29 (BWS)—The

Danish Government have made an

offer, which has been accepted by

the British Government, to provide

facilities during 1939 for increasing

by about 23,000,000 Kroner imports

of a wide range of United Kingdom

goods.

APPROVAL OF TRADE

AGREEMENT REFUSED

NEW DELHI, Mar. 28 (Reuters).

The Legislative Assembly, by

59 votes to 47 refused to approve

of the Indo-British Trade Agree-

ment.

The Moslem League abstained

from voting.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

MARCH 29, 1939

STOCKS	Last Sale	Mar. 28	STOCKS	Last Sale	Mar. 28
Adams Express	84	84	International Harvester	56 1/2	56 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	20 1/2	20 1/2	Int. Nickel	48 1/2	48 1/2
Allied Stores	9	9	Int. Tel. & Tel.	84	84
Allis Chalmers	38	38	Johns Manville	78	78
Amerasia Corp.	58 1/2	58 1/2	J. & Laughlin Steel	45 1/2	45 1/2
Amer. Can.	88 1/2	88 1/2	Kennecott Copper	35 1/2	35 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	21	21	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	47 1/2	47 1/2
Amer. & Foreign P. & E.	17	17	Lockheed Aircraft	28	28
Amer. Locomotive	21 1/2	21 1/2	Loew's Inc.	43 1/2	43 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	30 1/2	30 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	35 1/2	35 1/2
Amer. Radiator	13 1/2	13 1/2	Monsanto Chemical	98	98
Amer. Rolling Mill	16 1/2	16 1/2	Montgomery Ward	47 1/2	47 1/2
Amer. S. & W. R. Co.	41 1/2	41 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	15	15
Amer. Sugar Ref.	20	20	Nat. Distillers	27	27
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	158 1/2	158 1/2	National Gypsum	13 1/2	13 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	34 1/2	34 1/2	National Lead	22 1/2	22 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	10 1/2	10 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	8	8
Anacosta Copper	26 1/2	26 1/2	National Steel Corp.	70 1/2	70 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	32	32	Nat. Supply Corp.	104	104
Auburn Motors	34	34	New York Central	17 1/2	17 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	8	8	Niagara Hudson Power	17 1/2	17 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	15 1/2	15 1/2	N. American Aviation	16	16
Barnsdall Oil	15 1/2	15 1/2	North American Co.	22 1/2	22 1/2
Bendix Aviation	23	23	Northern Pacific	10 1/2	10 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	54 1/2	54 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	32 1/2	32 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	24 1/2	24 1/2	Pacific Lighting	45 1/2	45 1/2
Borg-Warner	25 1/2	25 1/2	Packard Motors	32	32
Biggs Manufacturing	23 1/2	23 1/2	Paramount Pictures	9 1/2	9 1/2
Brooklyn-Mhattan Trans.	10 1/2	10 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	20	20
B'klyn-Mhattan \$8 cum pf.	4 1/2	4 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	38 1/2	38 1/2
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	4 1/2	4 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	37 1/2	37 1/2
Case, J.I.	83	83	Public Service of N.J.	34 1/2	34 1/2
Celanese	19	19	Pullman Inc.	29 1/2	29 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	35	35	Pure Oil	61 1/2	61 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	73 1/2	73 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	6 1/2	6 1/2
Columbia Gas & El.	8 1/2	8 1/2	Republic Steel	18 1/2	18 1/2
Columbia 5% "A" pf.	89	89	Reynold Tobacco "B"	38 1/2	38 1/2
Commercial	50	50	Richfield Oil	8 1/2	8 1/2
Commonwealth & S. (ord.)	1 1/2	1 1/2	Safeway Stores	33 1/2	33 1/2
Cwealth & S. 6% cum pf.	55 1/2	55 1/2	Schenley Distillers	14 1/2	14 1/2
Consolidated Edison	31 1/2	31 1/2	Schenley, 5 1/2% pf.	70	70
Consolidated Oil	84	84	Shell Union Oil	12 1/2	12 1/2
Continental Can	38 1/2	38 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	12 1/2	12 1/2
Continental Oil	26 1/2	26 1/2	Southern Pacific	15 1/2	15 1/2
Corn Products	64 1/2	64 1/2	Southern Ry 5% pf.	25	25
Curtiss Wright (C.)	51	51	Sperry	40 1/2	40 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	24 1/2	24 1/2	Standard Brands	6 1/2	6 1/2
Deere & Co.	21 1/2	21 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	3 1/2	3 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	18 1/2	18 1/2	Standard Oil of California	27 1/2	27 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	65	65	Standard Oil of N.J.	48 1/2	48 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	148 1/2	148 1/2	Stone & Webster	12 1/2	12 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	10	10	Swift International	—	—
Eaton Mfg. Co.	23	23	Technicolor	18 1/2	18 1/2
Elec. Autolite	32 1/2	32 1/2	Texas Corp.	41 1/2	41 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	9 1/2	9 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	29 1/2	29 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 5% pf.	58 1/2	58 1/2	Trans-America Co.	7 1/2	7 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 5% pf.	68 1/2	68 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	20 1/2	20 1/2
Engineers' Public Service	94	94	20th Cent. Fox 5 1/2% pf.	78	78
Floodkote	23 1/2	23 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	69 1/2	69 1/2
Food Machinery Corp.	26	26	United Aircraft	37 1/2	37 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	52 1/2	52 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	10 1/2	10 1/2
Gen. Electric	37 1/2	37 1/2	United Corp.	2 1/2	2 1/2
Gen. Motors	45 1/2	45 1/2	United Corp. 3% cum pf.	35	35
Gen. Railway Signal	19 1/2	19 1/2	United Gas Corp.	2 1/2	2 1/2
Glidden Co.	19 1/2	19 1/2	United Gas Improvement	12 1/2	12 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	19 1/2	19 1/2	U.S. Rubber	42 1/2	42 1/2
Goodrich 5% pf.	64	64	U.S. Rubber 8% pf.	98 1/2	98 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	30 1/2	30 1/2	U.S. Steel	55	55
Great Northern Iron Ore	144	144	Vanadium	23 1/2	23 1/2
Great Northern Ry. pf.	23 1/2	23 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	5 1/2	5 1/2
Great Western Sugar	28 1/2	28 1/2	Westinghouse, Elec.	100 1/2	100 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	18 1/2	18 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	20 1/2	20 1/2
Hecker Products	10 1/2	10 1/2	Chase National Bank	31 1/2	31 1/2
Homestake Mining	63 1/2	63 1/2	National City Bank	24 1/2	24 1/2
Industrial Rayon	23 1/2	23 1/2			

*—bid; —ex. div.

DOW JONES AVERAGE

	1939	Mar. 27	High	Low	Close	Change
High	136.42	136.42	136.42	136.42	136.42	1.01
Low	136.42	136.42	136.42	136.42	136.42	1.01
Dow Jones Industrial	141.14	139.98	139.98	139.98	139.98	1.01
Dow Jones Rail	34.23	37.93	37.93	37.93	37.93	4.00
Dow Jones Utilities	36.53	32.30	32.30	32.30	32.30	2.00
Dow Jones Bonds	92.23	92.23	92.23	92.23	92.23	10.00
Dow Jones Commodity Index	49.12	49.69	49.69	49.69	49.69	0.00
Dow Jones Average	47.78	47.78	47.78	47.78	47.78	0.00

Business Done—600,000 shares

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE				SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION			
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
WED., 29 MAR.							
Banks							
H.K. Bank							
Do. (Col. Reg.)							
Do. (Lon. Reg.)							
Chartered Bank							
Mercantile Bk. "A"							
Mercantile Bk. "O"							
Bank of East Asia							
N. C. & S. Bank							
Insurance							
Canton Insurance							
Union Insurance							
Underwriters							
H.K. Fire							
Shipping							
Douglas							
Steamboats							
Indo-China (Ref.)							
Indo-China (Def.)							
Shells							
Waterboats							
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.							
H.K. & K. Wharves							
Providentia (old)							
Providentia (new)							
H.K. & W. Docks							
Do. (new)							
Shanghai Docks & New Engineering S.							
Mining							
Kailash							
Rauhe							
Venezuela Gold Fide							
Hong Kong Mines							
Lands, Hotels and Buildings							
H.K. Hotels							
H.K. Lands							
Do. 4% Debentures							
Shanghai Land S.							
H.K. Realities							
Humphreys							
Chinese Estates							
Cotton Mills							
Ewe (S.)							
Shai Cottons (S.)							
Zong Singa (S.)							
Wing On Textiles (S.)							
Public Utilities							
Tramway							
Peak Tram (old)							
Peak Tram (new)							
Star Ferries							
T'wai Ferries (O)							
Do. (new)							
China Lights (O)							
China Lights (New)							
China Lights R.							
S.K. Electric							
Sankar Lights							
Telephones (old)							
Telephones (new)							
Tractions							
Tractions (pref.)							
Industrials							
Cald, Macg. (Ord.) S.							
Cald, Macg. (Pref.) S.							
Canton Ice							
Cements							
Bopes							
Miscellaneous							
Lary Farms							
Ch. 2% Debentures							
Constructions (old)							
Constructions (new)							
Lane Crawford							
Nanyang Tobacco							
Bimores							
Watsons							
Ch. G.S. 1926 G.S.B.							
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan							
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan							
H.K. Wing On							
J'hai Wing On							
Vibro Piling							
Maraman Inv. (Ldn.)							
Maraman Inv. (H.K.)							
Wm. Powells							
*Sales to Shanghai							

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS' SERVICE)

London, March 29.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

	£		£
War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red. after 1932)	95-1/16	Union Insurance	30 1/2
Canton-K'loon Ry. 5%	21	Gula Kalampong Rubber	18/9
1898 (Brit. Issue)	21	Allied Ironfounders	18/6
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan	74 1/2	Asso. & Elec. Industries	39 3/4
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds	74 1/2	Austin Motors, ord.	31/3
1925-47	87	Cable & Wireless, New	41
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French	60	Form, ord.	95 7/8
Loan, 1908	60	B.A. Tob. (bearer)	8
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan	39 1/2	Cammell Laird, ord.	8
1913	39 1/2	Mexican Eagle	6/9

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BAKUYO MARU 16th Apr.

NEW YORK via Panama.

NAGARA MARU 7th Apr.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, NAPLES via Suez.

HUSIMI MARU 9th Apr.

HAKOZAKI MARU 22nd Apr.

SUWA MARU 8th Apr.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Davao, Thure-

day Island, Brisbane.

KITANO MARU 29th Apr.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

ANYO MARU 9th Apr.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore

ANALOCK 30th Mar.

VITORLOCK 11th Apr.

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SHIPPING

DUE TO-DAY

Denary, British, 3,750 registered tons, Capt. Watt, from Europe and Straits, a.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—W. R. Loxley & Co. (Tel. 34165).

Soochow, British, 1,594 registered tons, Capt. J. Whyte, from S'hal and Swatow, a.m., at buoy No. B7.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

E Sang, British, 2,055 registered tons, Capt. S. Schofield, from S'hal and Swatow, a.m., at buoy No. B7.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Haidis, British, 1,144 registered tons, Capt. A. Hall from K.C. Wan, p.m., at buoy No. B7.—Wo Fat Sing. (Tel. 20005).

King Yuan, British, 1,546 registered tons, Capt. N. Hardie, from S'hal and Swatow, a.m., at buoy No. B7.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Yangtze, French, 4,600 registered tons, Capt. Augaud, from S'hal, a.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. (Tel. 26651).

Cornerville, Norwegian, 2,747 registered tons, Capt. K. J. Lovik, from Manila, p.m., at buoy No. A7.—Bank Line. (Tel. 27791).

Francisco, British, from New York and Straits, 7 a.m., at K'loon Wharf.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Nankin, British, 4,420 registered tons, Capt. E. T. Plicher, from Moll, p.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Rio de Janeiro Maru, Japanese, 3,823 registered tons, Capt. Mashihara, from Japan, a.m., at buoy No. A2.—O.S.K. (Tel. 23061).

Burgeland, German, 4,321 registered tons, Capt. Schlobach, from Japan and Shanghai, 8 a.m., at buoy No. A4.—Jebben & Co. (Tel. 31205).

Hong Slang, British, 2,140 registered tons, Capt. D. M. Cole, from Swatow, Amoy & Foochow, 7 a.m., at buoy No. A7.—Ho Hong & Co. (Tel. 26127).

Irisbank, British, 3,412 registered tons, Captain J. Allen, from New York via Manila, 7 a.m., at Kowloon Wharf.—Bank Line. (Tel. 27791).

Shangtung, British, 1,583 registered tons, Capt. P.F.M. de Freitas, from S'hal, Amoy and Chuanchow, a.m., at buoy No. B7.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Yuen Sang, 1,983 registered tons, Capt. W. J. Lawrence, from Osaka and Kobe, noon, at buoy No. A9.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

SAILED YESTERDAY

Goviken for Bangkok
Canton Maru for Canton
Hui Ching for Swatow
Formosa for Manila
Tai Sang for Haiphong
Chak Sang for Swatow
Hiram for Bangkok
Changon for K. C. Wan
Wing Wo for K. C. Wan
Marchal Joffre for Shanghai
Tilawa for Shanghai

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Selatan, British, 1,571 registered tons, Captain W. B. Patey, from Swatow, at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas & Co. (Tel. 28037).

Chungking, British, 1,311 registered tons, Capt. W. Orwin, from Swatow, at buoy No. B16.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Kamakura Maru, Japanese, 10,274 regd. tons, Capt. T. Kurita, from San Francisco, Japan and S'hal, at buoy No. A7.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Lyceum, British, 1,734 registered tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Saigon, at buoy No. B11.—Wo Fat Sing. (Tel. 20005).

Hardingham, British, 3,208 registered tons, Capt. H. C. Walker, from S'pore, at buoy No. B26.—Bank Line. (Tel. 27791).

Formosa, Swedish, 3,430 registered tons, Capt. K. Lothman, from Japan and S'hal, at buoy No. A4.—Gilman & Co. (Tel. 30966).

Kwiyang, British, 1,580 registered tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Bangkok, at buoy No. B14.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Hiram, Norwegian, 1,108 registered tons, Capt. T. Olsen, from Bangkok, at S'cutters.—Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

Protetlaus, British, 6,110 registered tons, Capt. Longair, from Europe and Straits, at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Chitral, British, 8,772 registered tons, Capt. Pocock, from London and Straits, at Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Pres. Monroe, American, 6,195 regd. tons, Capt. W. H. Weaver, from San Francisco via Manila, at Kowloon Wharf.—A. P. L. (Tel. 28171).

Tunni, Norwegian, 724 registered tons, Captain S. Sorensen, from Bangkok, at buoy No. 6.—Geo. Grimble. (Tel. 20342).

Marchal Joffre, French, 6,645 regd. tons, Captain Fayol, from Marseilles and Saigon, at Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. (Tel. 26651).

Talabot, Norwegian, 4,178 registered tons, Capt. S. Sorensen, from Japan and Shanghai, at buoy No. 5.—Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

Bolsseval, Dutch, 8,689 registered tons, Capt. Blankstein, from Shanghai, at Kowloon Dock.—C. J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Newchwang, British, 1,486 registered tons, Capt. E. Michalmore, from Tientsin and Swatow, at buoy No. B1.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Kwangtung, British, 1,572 registered tons, Capt. S. M. Barling, from Shanghai, Amoy and Chuanchow, at buoy No. B21.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Randi, Norwegian, 677 registered tons, Capt. R. Christensen, from Bangkok, at buoy No. B12.—K. Larsen & Co. (Tel. 26996).

Solviken, Norwegian, 1,435 registered tons, Capt. A. Yasdal, from Swatow, at buoy No. B17.—Heapy & Co. (Tel. 24686).

SAILING TO-DAY

Kamakura Maru, Japanese, 10,274 regd. tons, Capt. T. Kurita, from buoy No. A7, for Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, San Francisco and Los Angeles, 8 a.m. N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Sai Yang, British, 1,594 registered tons, Capt. Thomas, from buoy No. B20, for Swatow and Shanghai, noon.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Cremet, Dutch, 2,770 registered tons, Capt. Ahlers, from buoy No. A3, for S'pore, Penang, Belawan & Deli, 2 p.m.—J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Chungking, British, 1,311 registered tons, Capt. W. A. Orwin, from buoy No. B16, for Swatow, F'chow, Tsingtao, W.H.W. Chefoo & T'sin, 10 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Pres. Monroe, American, 6,195 regd. tons, Capt. W. H. Weaver, from Kowloon Wharf, for New York, Boston via Suez, 6 a.m.—A. P. L. (Tel. 28171).

Kimp. of Asia, British, 8,883 registered tons, Capt. Gould, from Kowloon Wharf, for S'hal, Japan and Vancouver, 7 a.m.—C.P.S. (Tel. 20752).

Newchwang, British, 1,486 registered tons, Capt. E. Michalmore, from buoy No. B1, for Swatow, Ningpo and Wenchow, 10 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Wuchang, British, 1,975 registered tons, Capt. P. J. Green, from buoy No. 13, for Haiphong, 10 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

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Chitral, British, 8,757 registered tons, Capt. C. W. Pocock, from Kowloon Wharf, for S'hal and Japan, noon.—M. M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Canton, French, 976 registered tons, Captain G. Charlot, from buoy No. B10, for Haiphong, 4 p.m.—M. M. (Tel. 26651).

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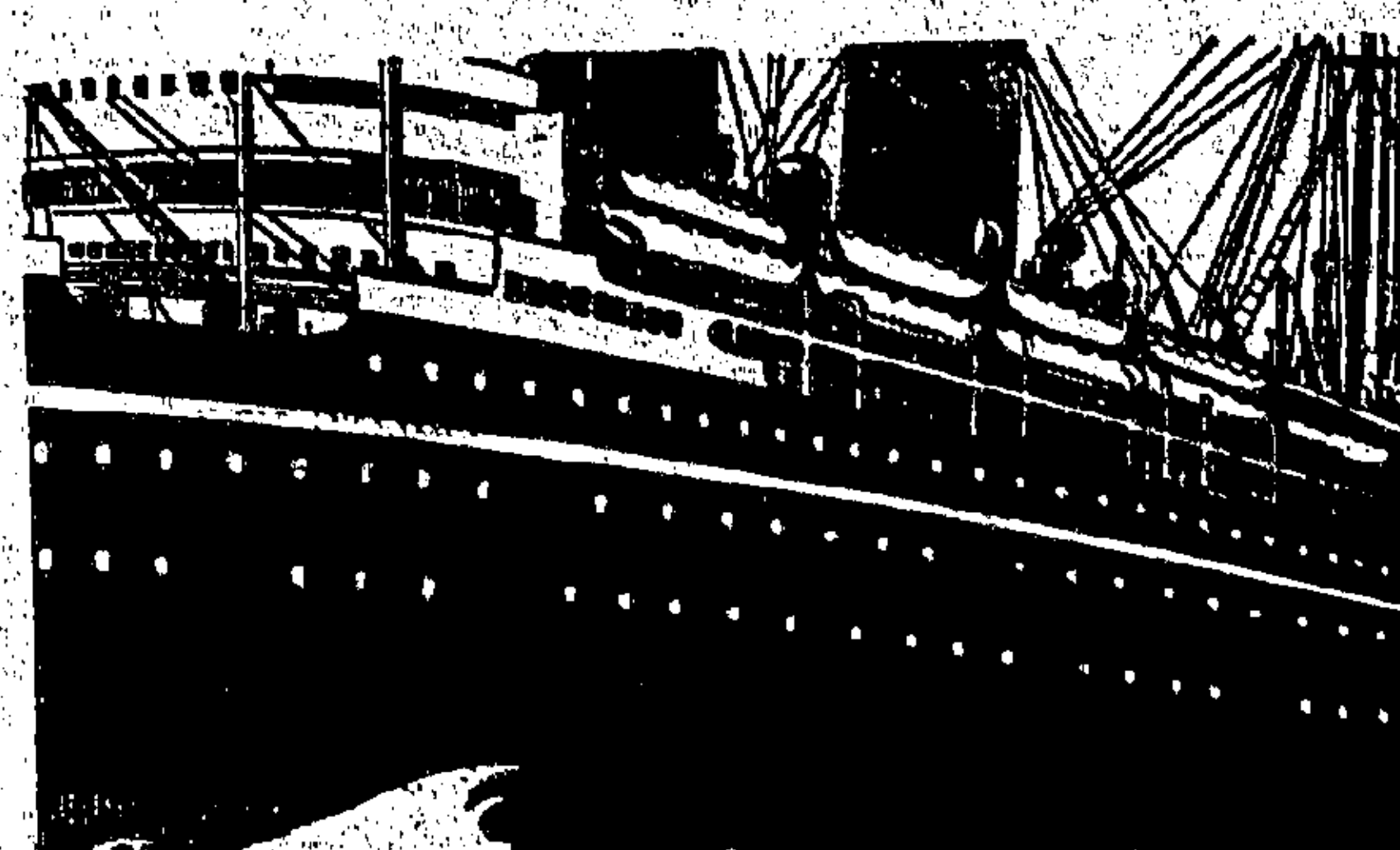
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